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REMOVALS.

REMOVAL.

Goodyear Rubber Co.,

FORMERLY

Rubber Clothing Company,

HAVE REMOVED TO

105 & 107 Madison-st.

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REMOVAL.

ISAAC R. HITT and WILLIS M. HITT have removed their Real Estate Office from 423 Wabash-av. to Room 19 Major Block, corner Madison and LaSalle-sts., where they will continue the Real Estate business under the name of ISAAC R. HITT & BRO.

DISSOLUTION NOTICES.

DISSOLUTION.

The copartnership heretofore existing under the firm name of John F. Rathbone & Co., is dissolved by limitation. JOHN F. RATHBONE,
LEWIS RATHBONE,
ORANGE SARD, Jr.

Albany, Jan. 1, 1873.

COPARTNERSHIP.

The undersigned have formed a copartnership under the firm name of Rathbone, Sard & Co.

JOHN F. RATHBONE, Albany, N. Y.
ORANGE SARD, Jr., Chicago, Ill.
ROBERT S. OLIVER, Albany, N. Y.
EDWARD BOWDITCH, Albany, N. Y.

Albany, Jan. 1, 1873.

RATHBONE, SARD & CO.,

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(FOUNDRIES, ALBANY, N. Y.),

OFFICES AND SALESROOMS.

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DETROIT.....23 Monroe-av.
ALBANY.....9 & 11 Green-st.

DISSOLUTION.

Chicago, Feb. 25, 1873.

The copartnership heretofore existing under the firm name of RAND, McNALLY & CO., and consisting of WM. H. RAND, ANDREW McNALLY, HENRY M. KIDDER, Geo. A. Poole, is hereby and this day dissolved. The business of the late firm will be settled by Wm. H. Rand and Andrew McNally, Henry M. Kidder, and Geo. A. Poole.

The undersigned will continue business under firm name of RAND, McNALLY & CO.

WM. H. RAND,
ANDREW McNALLY,
HENRY M. KIDDER,
GEO. A. POOLE.

MASS MEETING.

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All parties interested in the holding of an Industrial Exposition this Fall are requested to attend a Mass Meeting, to be held at Rice & Jackson's Hall, corner of Randolph and Clark-sts., on Wednesday, this (WEDNESDAY) evening, the 26th inst.

Manufacturers, Merchants (Wholesale and Retail), Hotel Proprietors, in fact every citizen interested in manufactures and trade, should come prepared to take practical and prompt action in a movement which will give a fresh impetus and vitality to the Commercial interests of our city.

Signed by the following:

R. T. CRANE,
President of the Northwestern Manufacturing Co.
T. WELCH,
Firm of Kerr, Davison & Welch.
DAVID KIDD,
Firm of Furst & Bradley.
J. G. SHERIMAN,
Firm of Sherman, Hoyt & Sonnit Canal-st.

JAMES NOWLAN, Secretary.

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Two marble-fronts, Wabash-av., each $4,000 below value, near Eighteenth-st.; easy terms.

A fine store, $30,000 below value; easy terms.

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I want a building of from 40 to 80 rooms, on South Side, for a first-class boarding hotel. The furniture and appurtenances now ready for the same. Address, immediately,
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MUSICAL.

GREAT BARGAINS IN PIANOS AT REED'S TEMPLE OF MUSIC,

81 SIXTEENTH-ST., near Wabash-av.

April 1st, A. REED & SONS will move to their New Building, corner of Van Buren and Dearborn-sts. (extension), and, in order to save trouble and expense of removal of the large stock of Pianos now on hand, will sell them at the cheapest prices ever offered in Chicago.

We promise to show any one visiting our Warerooms DOUBLE the number of Pianos from which to make a selection that can be found in any other establishment in the Northwest, consisting of

Concert Grands, Square Pianos,
Parlor Grands, Upright Pianos,
Square Grands, Upright Grands,

OF EVERY STYLE, FINISH, AND QUALITY.

We call special attention to a few very fine first-class Pianos that have had the outside cases injured in transportation—the inside action and work remaining in perfect order.

These will be sold far below the usual prices, and will prove very great bargains to the purchasers.

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In a word, we intend to offer the greatest inducements to Piano-buyers that Chicago has ever seen.

Every Piano warranted five years, and if, after a fair trial, it does not give satisfaction, the purchase-money will be refunded.

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We would call the attention of any one desiring to purchase an ORGAN, to the fact that the

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NOTICE.

Mr. C. J. LANE being no longer in our employ, we hereby revoke all authority we have given him to collect money for us.

FARRINGTON & SCHMAHL.

MEETINGS.

FUNERAL NOTICE.—All members of H. W. Blaylow Lodge No. 68, A. F. and A. M., are hereby notified to meet at their Hall, No. 11 North Clark-st., on Wednesday, Feb. 26, at 2½ o'clock p. m., sharp, to attend the funeral of our late brother, John Mitchell. Care to Benefit.
By order of R. T. SMITH, W. M.

Masonic.

Regular communication of H. W. Blaylow Lodge, No. 68, A. F. & A. M., at Lessing Hall, No. 11 North Clark-st., Wednesday evening, Feb. 26, at 7½ o'clock. Third Degree. All members are requested to attend. Visiting brethren cordially invited.
R. T. SMITH, W. M.
H. O. COLLINS, Sec.

Masonic.

Regular communication of Siloam Lodge, No. 271, A. F. and A. M., will be held this (Wednesday) evening, at 7:30 p. m., in Oriental Hall.
R. G. BOWZER, Sec'y.

BUSINESS CARDS.

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WASHINGTON.

Debate on the Resolutions for the Expulsion of Brooks and Ames.

Butler Wants the Whole Thing Referred to the District Court.

Judge Poland Opens the Ball Against the Judiciary Committee.

Farnsworth Defends the Accused ---Merrick Urges Their Condemnation.

Oakes Ames' Defense Read by the Clerk of the House.

The Old Man Deeply Affected at the Allusions to His Past Greatness.

The President's Message on the Louisiana Muddle.

What He Will Do, Should Congress Do Not.

Pomeroy's Statement "On His Honor as a Senator."

Special Dispatch to The Chicago Tribune.

THE SCENE OF THE YEAR.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 25.—There was by odds the largest number of people collected inside the walls of the House of Representatives to-day that has been seen during the past ten years, and a better dressed and more intelligent or a better behaved crowd was never collected together. The larger portion was made up of ladies, who filled and overran the galleries devoted to them, until there was no part of the galleries where the ribbons and feathers of fashion were not to be seen. Even the galleries for colored loafers showed a sprinkling of handsome women. There was scarcely any of the colored element present to-day. Not only were the galleries packed to that point of fullness where the constant and relentless pressure becomes painful, but the corridors outside were so full that it was almost impossible to make a thoroughfare through them. The Capitol was alive with hundreds of people who could not gain admission. To accommodate this vast throng, the House by unanimous consent, threw open its doors, and in ten minutes the floor was filled; the cloak-rooms were occupied, and the ladies pressed down and down, until they filled half the seats belonging to members. The reporters' gallery was also appropriated to their use, and the use of half a hundred persons in the various walks of life, but certainly not as reporters. There were lobby-keepers, lobby-brokers, lobby agents, and every other sort of people who secured an entrance, nobody knows how, and they were not slow to appropriate the seats of the regular reporters. The day was pleasant, and the ladies, especially those on the floor, wore bright colors in their hats, and the scene as viewed from the galleries resembled the auditorium of a theatre.

BUSINESS COMMENCES.

The first move of the "whitewashers" was the prayer of the Chaplain, who hoped all transgressions would be forgiven. The reading of a long journal followed, while the crowd busied themselves in picking out the prominent characters on the floor. Just as Mr. Poland was about to take the floor, a drunken member from Pennsylvania came reeling down one of the aisles, and attempted to catch the Speaker's eye. In a maudlin voice he cried "Mr. Speaker!" two or three times, although Cox, Kerr, and others tried to induce him to take his seat. Finally the Speaker asked him to state for what purpose he arose, and in a half-intelligible tone he stuttered out something to the effect that he wanted the floor cleared. He seemed to be ignorant of the fact) that the House had agreed to a motion to give the ladies the privilege of the floor during the discussion. He is the same member who sat in his seat for some time yesterday in his shirt-sleeves, and with a plaid shawl tied around his loins. He has been a nuisance in the House for three or four years, but happily is not re-elected to the next Congress.

The first move of Butler was to postpone the Credit Mobilier subject, and go to work on the Appropriation bill, but he was not successful, and a good deal of confusion followed. Poland then came down a few paces, and presented himself to the gaze of the multitude, shining in brass buttons, velvet collar, and ruffled shirt. He was an object of admiration. Butler then offered a substitute for the Committee's resolution, reciting the fact that the offenses of the members were committed more than five years ago; that the members could not be expelled for what occurred before the present Congress, and that, if bribery had been committed, the prosecution should go to the courts.

Bingham made a point of order. Fernando Wood said a few words as to the time required. Poland said he had not decided in the matter, would not accept the substitute, and then order was restored. The galleries buzzed and fluttered for a moment; a few coughs and throat-clearings were sounded, and then all was settled down to perfect quietness. Then Poland stepped forward again; looked approvingly at the galleries, and began his long speech, beginning in low, guttural tones, and pronouncing every word with a long pause after it, as though it was of the greatest significance.

Oakes Ames sat in a front seat, with his habitual indolent and heavy expression of face and form, holding in his hand, like a vice, a small package of proof-slips. This was his speech. Presently Mr. Brooks came pushing himself through the aisle, looking more like a dead man than like the fine-looking member from New York of a year ago. He showed great fatigue and weakness, and the opinion was frequently expressed that he would not live many months.

Butler, during the long speech of Poland, was busy with his pen. The argument was well drawn for the side of the case he had taken, and the speaker seemed to have the whole case thoroughly in his mind, but throughout it was very evident he has the happy faculty of being the driest speaker on the floor of the House. When he had but eighteen minutes of his hour left, he became a little more animated, but the audience was tired of him. What was their consternation then to have the same member rise and propose to give him half an hour more! A look of sorrow and suffering ran through the galleries as he began on his extra time. Sandwiches and apples were in great demand among the audience at this time, for it was almost 2 o'clock, and nearly all had been in the Capitol since 10 o'clock. The half hour finally passed away. Some one, either for a joke or a piece of malice, moved that Poland be given a half hour more. This was too much for the House of Representatives, and a dozen members put in a few words during the confusion as to what was to be the division of the time. Poland said he was willing that both sides should be heard. He wanted to divide the time, he said. Butler spoke up sharp and quick: "The gentleman acts as though he wanted to divide eternity," and a great laugh followed from all sides. Then Poland said he did not want more time, and after a short parley the statesman from Vermont took his seat.

Then there was a good deal of buzzing and confusion, and a hundred members were on their feet, a dozen of them addressing the Speaker. Among them was Mr. Ames, who, during his ten years' service in Congress, probably never addressed a dozen words to the House before he was recognized, and in a scarcely audible voice desired to offer his remarks, and requested that they be read by the Clerk. The House instantly became still. Soon the Clerk proceeded to read Mr. Ames' speech. There was little in it, except a very ingenious argument in favor of the Union Pacific Railroad. It was capitally read by the Clerk, who gave it all the force and emphasis possible. It was rather dull at first, but toward the last it ran into fertile fields. The speech was well written, and very adroit in its composition. It also made several very good law points. It was early seen that it was not the composition of the "great briber," and it has since been ascertained that it was written by Mr. Mr. Poppleton, the Union Pacific Railway attorney at Omaha. With the well-trained voice of McPherson as an adjunct, the address was rather pathetic in that portion which referred to the old age of Ames, his useful life, his previous good character, and his public services. Such was the effect of the Clerk's reading that the "old man" at this point was quite overcome with emotion, and shed tears. When his speech was finished it was apparent that the sympathy of the audience was with Oakes Ames and James Brooks.

Farnsworth was the next to be accorded the floor. His argument was not an argument, but a commonplace speech, having some good points in favor of Ames and Brooks, but by no means worthy of the man.

At half-past 2, Judge Merrick, of Maryland, a member of the Poland Committee, took the floor and before he had proceeded a quarter of an hour, it was discovered that the House had underrated him. He is a new member, and, owing to his modesty, has taken little part in the discussions of the House. His speech of course sustained the report of the Committee, and was by odds the best of the day. He showed himself to be a very strong man. He spoke of the feelings of Ames as being a result of Satanic skill, and his exoneration of Brooks as a fellow-Democrat, was magnificent. He was frequently interrupted, but came off victor in every encounter. His speech throughout was a calm, clear, logical, well-balanced and sharply drawn legal argument, and was the subject of general praise. When he closed there was great excitement on the floor, and a storm and roar of mingled voices and sounds came from the galleries.

A short debate came up on the Louisiana question, and after an evening session for debate only had been decided on, the House adjourned, and the great crowd melted away from the Chamber.

The evening session, with fairly balled galleries, was given up to the light weights, with Meyers, of Pennsylvania, in the Chair. Butler, and Voorhees, and Bingham, and all the heavy weights, will speak to-morrow.

It is very evident that neither Brooks or Ames will be expelled. A vote of censure may be passed on all, but it is more probable that the whole subject will be laid on the table.

AGRICULTURAL COLLEGES.

The Agricultural College bill has been sent, by the action of the Senate, to a Conference Committee, which means defeat for it.

CALDWELL.

In view of the pressure of business, and to aid, if possible, an extra session, Senator Morton agreed to-day not to call up the Caldwell case until after the 4th of March. This will necessitate the reference of the case again to the Committee on Privileges and Elections, when a new report will be necessary, as the terms of office of Senators Trumbull and Hill expire on the 4th of March next. Caldwell's friends are satisfied, however, that nothing more will be done in his case.

SAVINGS BANKS.

The Senate Finance Committee, at its meeting to-day, agreed to report a bill to require reports of savings banks organized under the laws of the United States, and for other purposes. The bill provides that all savings banks or trust companies, organized or claiming to act under authority of any act of Congress, shall be directed to make to the Comptroller of the Currency and publish all the reports which the National Banking Associations are required to make.

On so simple a thing as an amendment to the Agricultural College bill, the Senate to-day wandered off into a couple of hours' debate on the Louisiana matter, in the midst of which the President sent a message to Congress on the subject. After a few speeches had been delivered, this matter dropped as suddenly as it had been taken up, and, by a yea and nay vote, the Senate decided to proceed with the College bill, in preference to all pending measures.

The main object of the President's visit to the Capitol, yesterday, in company with Attorney-General Williams, was for the purpose of consulting with the Senate Committee on Privileges and Elections, relative to the proposition of Gen. Dick Taylor for compromising the existing political troubles in Louisiana. The President called the attention of the Committee to the protracted dissension in that State, and urged the necessity of some action being taken to heal the breach between the opposing factions. The proposition of Gen. Taylor was then laid before the Committee for their consideration. It does not seem clear that Gen. Taylor is empowered to act but for the McEnery faction, yet he is confident that his proposition, if indorsed by the Executive and Congress, will be acceptable to both factions, as they are both opposed to the idea of holding a new election. There is good reason to believe that Gen. Taylor's plan of compromise meets with favor from the Administration, and, if acceptable to Congress, will no doubt hasten a speedy solution of the Louisiana muddle, and be the means of restoring peace and quiet to that much-distracted State, and relieve the country from the suspense in which a critical state of affairs exists. Taylor's proposition is that the legal election be turned over to the Returning Board declared to be the legal Board by the Supreme Court of the State,—the "Lynch Board,"—for them to canvass, and the parties ascertained to be duly elected by such returns shall be declared to constitute the legal State Government.

AN EXTRA SESSION.

It is now conceded on all sides that the Senate, by its dilatory action of the past few days, has made an extra session unavoidable.

DEPARTMENTAL POSTAGE.

The estimates of the several departments of the Government for the amount of money necessary to carry out the propositions of the law abolishing the franking privileges have been received by the House Committee on Appropriations. It is shown that the departments, which include, as is well known, all the bureaus, and all the civil, military, and naval officers in the Government, except members of Congress, will require $21,000,000 to pay their postage during the approaching fiscal year. What Congress itself will require has not yet been determined.

PACIFIC MAIL.

The Ways and Means Committee began, today, the examination of witnesses on the Pacific Mail subsidy. Wm. S. King, of Minnesota, the present Postmaster of the House, gave his testimony. It has been a subject of general remark, around the hotels and lobbies, that Mr. King received immense sums of money from this corporation to disburse as "lobby money" to carry the subsidy scheme through Congress at the last session. He to-day, under oath, gave the most complete and particular denial of the reports that it was possible for him to devise. It appears, from the statement of the Deputy Sergeant-at-Arms, that there was nothing in Mr. King's actions indicating that it was his intention to escape the service of a summons to appear as a witness.

OFFICERS' PERQUISITES.

An order has been issued from the War Department to provide that the perquisit of rank or any allowance for quarters or fuel for officers' servants is hereby prohibited until more specific legislation shall sanction it.

PARDONS.

President Grant to-day pardoned Charles Howard and James Blanks, of Alabama, convicted of Ku-Klux outrages, and sentenced to imprisonment in the Albany Penitentiary.

SENATOR SUMNER'S HEALTH.

Senator Sumner's health is materially improved, and he is now pronounced out of danger.

MECHANICS' LABOR.

In the House, yesterday, the Committee on Education and Labor asked unanimous consent to report Mr. Coghlan's bill prohibiting contracts for servile labor, but Mr. Beck objected, and the bill was not received.

POMEROY.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 25.—At the sitting of the Pomeroy Committee, this morning, the Sergeant-at-Arms sent a messenger to search for Dr. Roesbacher, a witness.

JOHN J. MURPHY

was examined by Simpson. Pomeroy told the witness, at Topeka, during the canvass, to come to his room with Bond at 12 o'clock at night. Bond was sick, and did not go. He met Pomeroy next day. Pomeroy told him to use his influence to get Bond's vote. He told Bond that he could get an office or some money to vote. Pomeroy did not tell him to offer an office or money, but simply told him to use his influence; that he (Pomeroy) would do the best he could. Witness formed the opinion from that remark that Pomeroy would pay for Bond's vote.

By Horton—Pomeroy never gave witness authority to offer money to Bond or anyone else.

An Murphy left the stand

TOM ROESBRACHER

entered the room, and was immediately called by Simpson. He testified that his seat in the Kansas Legislature was contested by his opponent. The Committee on Elections reported against him. Pomeroy told him that he heard that Davis didn't care whom he voted for, but wanted his expenses paid, and Pomeroy said he was willing to pay Davis' expenses, but wouldn't buy his vote. The witness told Pomeroy that he thought he could buy Bacon's vote, but Pomeroy said he could not give money for his vote. Subsequently, Horton told witness that he (Horton) was not authorized to pay money, but he (witness) might offer Bacon $2,000 if he would vote for Pomeroy. Witness said that Pomeroy never gave him a dollar to give any member of the Legislature, but admitted sending a letter to Pomeroy, telling him he had better send for him to testify on this investigation. He admitted that he had been convicted of burglary in Iowa, but said it was for the crime of another Roesbracher. The testimony concluded by a statement relative to himself, going to prove that he had been the victim of untoward circumstances, and that he had been pardoned by Gov. Morrill, who was convinced of his innocence, and, when he returned home, would give him a public welcome.

In answer to one of the Committee, if the package of money—York's $7,000—had arrived, it appeared that after it had started for Washington by express, it had been returned to Topeka, by an order from Washington, saying it was not needed. It was again on its way, but had not arrived.

ISAAC S. HALLOCH

of the Kansas Senate, testified that he knew nothing of the use of money by Pomeroy to influence the election.

POMEROY'S STATEMENT.

Pomeroy submitted a statement denying that he ever gave or had any authority or permission to any man to use money, or any valuable thing, to control or influence improperly the vote of any member of the Legislature, or explained his interview with York as follows: And [illegible] to the charge of this Mr. York and his associate conspirators, I will say the two facts have already been stated by witnesses, and the transaction already seems to be [illegible] by a business one, having no relation whatever to the [illegible] which several occasions I had learned of [illegible] to me. About the last of the week before the Tuesday for the first ballot, T. B. Eldridge, M. W. Reynolds, Mr. DeLong, and others, all from his county, assured me with much confidence of York's support. But some days before I learned that, I had, after much deliberation, agreed to aid Mr. J. A. Page and associates to start a National Bank at Independence, where Mr. Page had a private bank; having satisfied myself of his ability, capacity, and fitness for the management of such an institution, I agreed to furnish him with money sufficient, when used with his own $30,000, to make a sum sufficient to purchase thirty United States bonds, denomination $1,000 each. Page urged, and was anxious to procure the money before he left Topeka, but I told him it was inconvenient for me to furnish the money [illegible] $5,000 of them, but I would give it as soon, and he might depend upon it and make his arrangements accordingly. At this time I met, at the Fifth House, W. P. Borland, of the Second National Bank, of Leavenworth, who inquired of me if I should not want some currency before leaving Topeka, as he thought from appearances my hotel bills would be large. At first I told him No, but on second thought, and said I should like to get $5,000 at forty or sixty days, as I had agreed to help a friend organize a National Bank, and he would refund it as soon as he got his currency from the Government. He took from me a package said to contain $5,000, which I never opened or counted, or even gave a note or receipt for at the time, and I put the same in my valise. On Monday night, the 27th, Mr. York came to my room at the hotel, and having sent me word several times that he would do so, and at once began to repeat what had been going on at the anti-Pomeroy caucus, and I heard him through. Before leaving, he spoke of the favor I had granted his friend Page, and said Page requested him to get the money and forward it to him at Independence, and that he (York) would leave it, from other parties, at the hotel. I told him I was not prepared at that time to furnish it, although I had promised it to Page before I left the city. York said perhaps I had no confidence in him. I assured him of my confidence, and told him I could furnish $2,000 at that time, and thought I should be able to furnish $5,000 more the next day. The amount necessary, I had calculated, would be from $8,000 to $9,000, and I told him I would send the balance of the $30,000 to Page and his associates [illegible] I then paid him the first instalment of $2,000, and next day I paid a package of $5,000, which as I had received the sum from Borland, and neither gave Borland my note nor took a note from him; but, during that day, I had sent Mr. King at one time, and Hamlin Pomeroy another, to find York, if he had not left the city, to inform him of the whole transaction; but these gentlemen both returned saying they were unable to find Page, and I rested in the belief that the transaction was all right, until I heard of the misstatements of facts by York on the floor of the joint convention. I then denounced it as a conspiracy, a plot, and told my counsel here, Judge Horton, the whole story, and within a few days left Kansas for Washington. This, in brief, is the history of that charge of bribery for which I asked of the Senate a committee to investigate, and this one act, in connection with that of York, I now solemnly declare had no reference whatever to the vote of York, and was made and executed entirely independent of, and without the knowledge or consent of, any friend in it. I make this statement upon my honor as a Senator, and on my oath; and further especially deny, as I stated in the Senate when I demanded this investigation, that I ever entered into any contract or agreement, directly or indirectly, with any member of the Kansas Legislature for a vote in my favor, or that I ever, directly or indirectly, paid, or promised to pay, an individual one penny, or any other sum, for his vote for me in the late Senatorial election in Kansas.

(Signed) S. C. POMEROY.

Page was examined in relation to his efforts to establish a National Bank in Independence. His statements agreed substantially with those of Pomeroy.

AFFIDAVITS.

Horton read the following dispatches:

WASHINGTON, Feb. 25.

To J. F. Benjamin, First National Bank, Shelbina, Mo.:

Who is J. W. Shaffer? Was he ever connected with York? What is his general character? Answer by telegraph.

(Signed) S. C. POMEROY.

SHELBINA, Mo., Feb. 25.

To S. C. Pomeroy, Washington:

Is a citizen here. Was once a partner of York. Reputation bad.

(Signed) J. F. BENJAMIN.

YORK'S DENIAL.

York was recalled, and stated emphatically that he had never had any connection of any sort with either Page or Pomeroy in relation to the bank business. Simpson said that Shaffer was present to testify in relation to the offer made by Pomeroy's friends to him to testify against York. York said Shaffer had told him that the offer was made by Pomeroy's nephew.

The Committee ruled that this was a new matter, and could not properly be taken up. Horton withdrew Eldridge's testimony, and the case was closed. Mr. Frelinghuysen stating that the Committee would thereafter decide whether it was important to have the money shown by York in the joint convention produced before the Committee.

The Committee then adjourned.

PACIFIC MAIL.

TESTIMONY OF POSTMASTER KING.

The Committee of Ways and Means had before them to-day W. S. King, Postmaster of the House of Representatives, who testified that some time during the last session of Congress Richard B. Irwin, agent of the Pacific Mail steamers, called upon him and solicited his aid in securing additional subsidy for that company, which witness gave to the full extent of his ability. He also testified that he had spoken unreservedly to members of Congress upon the subject, urging the legislation desired. That he knew of no other party for services, and had no knowledge whatever of any money having been paid to any member of the House or Senate for such legislation, or for any other purpose in that connection. When asked whether he had heard of money having been used in that matter, witness answered in the negative. During the debate on the subject he had heard members of Congress charge that money was being used. He had no other knowledge or information than what he had just stated.

CONGRESSIONAL.

SENATE.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 25.

THE FISHERY MESSAGE.

The President's message relative to the fishery clause in the Treaty of Washington was laid before the Senate.

MISCELLANEOUS.

Mr. SCHURZ presented the credentials of Mr. Bogy, Senator-elect from Missouri.

A bill authorizing the sale of a portion of the military reservation at Fort Ripley, Minn., passed.

COMMITTEE REPORTS.

Mr. FERRY, from the Finance Committee, reported a bill relating to the duties of Receivers of National Banks, stating that the Committee would not have time to consider it at this session; also asking to be discharged from consideration of the bill relating to the issue of unstamped circulation.

Mr. SHERMAN, from the Finance Committee, asked discharge from consideration of the Boston Relief bill.

ORDER OF BUSINESS.

Mr. MORRILL said it he should insist upon the disposition of the Agricultural College bill.

Mr. ANTHONY reminded the Senate of the necessity of action on printing the debates.

Mr. MORTON said he would call up the resolution relative to Caldwell, of Kansas.

Mr. CARPENTER said the Louisiana case was more important. There was now a government *de facto* there, so called, based upon no valid election, with no support but Federal bayonets. Congress should not adjourn without providing for the difficulty. Either there would be a conflict, or the President must continue to support, by Federal troops, the government they had set up. He thought the Caldwell case could go over to an extra session, or even to December.

Mr. MORTON said the Louisiana case involved questions which precluded its being acted upon in the Senate at this session without reference to its passing the other branch. There was not a single bayonet in Louisiana supporting the Kellogg Government. He claimed that the State Government of Louisiana was in undisturbed operation, and will be the next two years, unless its power is taken away by Congress.

Points of order were raised by Messrs. THURMAN and SHERMAN, that the discussion was out of order, and the Speaker (EDMUNDS) decided that the question was on the amendment to the Agricultural College bill, and couldn't say whether the Senator's remarks related to that subject or not.

Mr. TRUMBULL said he agreed with the majority of the Committee, that a government had been set up in Louisiana by the usurped authority of a United States District Judge, and that government so set up had been sustained by troops sent there by the President. Durell's action, the Committee had concluded upon investigation, was without authority, utterly void, and entitled to no respect; yet the President had recognized and sustained it, and the President wasn't blameless in the matter.

Mr. CARPENTER claimed that it was the duty of the President to enforce the decrees of United States Courts.

Mr. TRUMBULL replied that orders were previously sent by the Attorney-General, directing the Marshal to enforce such decrees, before any were made by Durell. He contended that troops were within supporting distance now.

Mr. CARPENTER said if the support of the troops was entirely withdrawn the Kellogg government wouldn't last ten minutes.

Mr. MORTON said troops were also in supporting distance of Washington, and, although there were few troops in Louisiana, they had no connection with the existing government.

Mr. TRUMBULL proceeded at length to detail the circumstances of the establishment of the Kellogg government.

Mr. THURMAN thought by right the McEnery government should be recognized, but considered that the present duty of the Senate was to pass the Appropriation bills, provide for printing the debates, and then consider the Louisiana case.

Mr. MORTON said it was evidently intended to drag party politics into the matter. The Senator from Wisconsin had opened a small crevasse, through which Mr. Trumbull had poured an immense volume, and made an attack upon the President. Mr. Morton defended the President's action in Louisiana matters, saying the President's action was not only justified, but highly meritorious, as it had prevented a repetition of the scenes of peace, and prevented the blood of hundreds of colored men and [illegible] Republicans had been shed by the same means as were arraigned against the Kellogg Government and the Government of the United States.

Mr. SCHURZ called Mr. Morton's attention to a sentence in the majority report, avowing that, but for Durell's action, the McEnery government would have been sustained by the people.

Mr. MORTON said he dissented from that, as not justified by the evidence. On the contrary, the evidence shows that there was great danger of disturbance, as the President had not acted, he would have been blamed for it. Instead of censure, he deserves the highest praise. He (Morton) thought Durell exceeded his powers, but the President could not say he (Durell) had done so, and would not punish him for it. The President's message relative to Louisiana matters was here received and read.

Mr. HILL favored harmonizing matters in Louisiana between the two contending parties, and against throwing the responsibility upon the President.

Mr. MORTON announced his willingness to allow the Caldwell case to go over to an extra session, having received the assurance of several Senators that no advantage would be taken of such disposition of the case.

THE AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE BILL

was then resumed.

Messrs. THURMAN, WINDOM, CHANDLER, CASSERLY, and TIPTON opposed it. Mr. Thurman said the owners of agricultural lands in the country didn't realize [illegible] and that the bill he laid on the table. Lost—18 against 36.

After a long debate, the bill was referred to a Committee of Conference.

The Vice President appointed Messrs. Morrill (Vt.), Sawyer, and Stevenson the Committee of Conference on the bill.

ARMY BILL.

Mr. COLE called up the Army Appropriation bill, and the several amendments reported from the Committee on Appropriations were agreed to, including the following: Reducing the amount for the payment of the army $285,000; reducing the amount for subsistence $270,944; establishing two new military posts on the line of the Northern Pacific Railroad.

RECESS.

At 5 p. m. the Senate took a recess until 7 p. m.

EVENING SESSION.

THE ARMY BILL.

The Senate resumed consideration of the Army Appropriation bill. The following amendments were agreed to: Reducing the amount for the purchase and manufacture of clothing from $1,625,000 to $600,000, and providing that no part of it be expended for any army uniform of different pattern from that prescribed by the army regulations of the late war until the supply now on hand be exhausted; reducing the amount for National Cemeteries from $75,000 to $50,000; striking out the clause providing for the general supervision of the purchase and distribution of all hospital and medical supplies; appropriating $5,000 for experiments with the Gatling guns, and $10,000 for experiments in fireproofing iron-iron guns now in the service by lining them with steel.

The bill having been considered as in Committee of the Whole, was reported to the Senate, and the amendments made in Committee concurred in.

Mr. AMES offered an amendment providing that hereafter all regimental and company organizations, and all other branches of the military service, shall be filled to conform with the organization of any tribe, and directing the Secretary of War to obliterate as as early a day as possible all distinctions now existing between organizations in the army on account of race or color; also providing that the number of colored men enlisted in the army shall at no time be less than the number now allowed by law—to two regiments of cavalry and two of infantry.

Mr. WRIGHT raised the point that the amendment was not in order, being in the nature of general legislation.

The Chair overruled the point of order.

Mr. WEST appealed from the decision of the Chair.

Mr. EDMUNDS moved to lay the appeal on the table. Agreed to—29 to 20.

Mr. COLE moved to lay the amendment on the table. Agreed to—29 to 19.

Mr. LOGAN offered an amendment appropriating $1,000,000 for headstones in the National Cemeteries, and amending the laws relating to these cemeteries so as to provide for procuring decent and durable headstones.

In reply to a question by Mr. CASSERLY, Mr. WEST, having charge of the bill, stated that the amount appropriated about $1,900,000, and it was generally calculated that our army cost about $1,000 per man.

The amendment was voted to be in order, and was agreed to, with the additional proviso that the Secretary of War shall first determine the size, model, and material of the head stones, and may contract with different parties for separate quantities of them.

The bill then passed.

Mr. EDMUNDS attempted to call up the bill in aid of the execution of the laws in Utah.

Mr. STEWART moved to take up the bill authorizing the Texas Pacific Railroad Company to consolidate with other roads in Texas and California, so as to reach San Francisco, and to build branch roads to the Mexican line and to Utah.

Mr. EDMUNDS said the bill was too important and too imperfect to be disposed of at an evening session.

Mr. STEWART said he would try to get it up to-morrow. He said there was a necessity for passing this bill in order to allow the Texas Pacific Railroad to be made from San Francisco its terminus; and he stated, also, that the Atlantic & Pacific Railroad should have the right to use the proposed extension and its branches on equal terms with the Texas & Pacific Company.

THE UTAH BILL

was taken up.

At 9:45 the Senate went into executive session, and soon after adjourned.

HOUSE.

AXES AND BROOMS.

In the House it was more than half-past 11 o'clock when the reading of the journal and other preliminary business was disposed of. In the meantime the crowd became denser and the scene noisier. Ladies had been admitted within the bar of the hall, and stood during the greater part of the time in the aisles and pressed around at the back of the circle. Many of them had achieved prominence by gaining possession of the chairs of members. They did not seem ashamed or conscious of being out of place. On the contrary, they wore an air of anxious, determined, and persistent eagerness in pursuit of their object.

Mr. HOLMAN, apparently impressed with the incongruity of the surroundings, made a motion that the floor be cleared of all but members, but the Speaker informed him that the decree had been opened by unanimous consent, and that it was too late to object now. Mr. Holdsman subsided. His rebuff was hailed with laughter.

At 11:45 the SPEAKER announced that the special order was the report of the Credit Mobilier Committee.

Mr. BUTLER (Mass.), as unprepared, moved that the House go into Committee of the Whole on the Legislative Appropriation bill, whereupon

Mr. GARFIELD intimated that it would be just as well for him to attend to his own business and leave the Committee on Appropriations to manage its own affairs. This rebuff brought the laugh against Butler.

The motion then prevailed, with the special order, when the Clerk read the resolutions for the expulsion of Ames and Brooks.

Mr. BUTLER (Mass.) rose and offered the following substitute:

WHEREAS, The Select Committee of the House has, after investigation, reported to the House the testimony, which is deemed by them sufficient to show a criminal action in one or more members of the House; and

WHEREAS, The testimony shows that similar acts have been done by other persons not known as members of the House; and

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THE LAW COURTS.

Judge Porter Decides the Pork Question.

Mr. Keck, Cincinnati Alderman, Comes Out Ahead.

Power of Government to Compel the Use of a Patent Distillery Metre.

By Mr. Leary's Own Showing, He is a Persecuted Man.

Growls from Scott's Boulevard-Scheme Victims.

Interesting Notes from the Court of Bankruptcy.

In the celebrated pork cases, the progress of which, before Judge Porter, has been watched with so much interest by the mercantile community, His Honor yesterday delivered the following decision:

William Young, Alexander M. Young, and Ransom W. Young v. Josiah L. Keck, Alexander Thorne, et al.; the same v. Josiah L. Keck, Henry R. Sawyer, et al. These are actions of replevin, brought against the defendants for detaining a quantity of mess pork claimed by the plaintiffs as their property. The main question is, in whom was the title to the pork at the time it was seized under the writs, in the shown a written agreement, dated July 26, 1872, by which Keck agreed to sell to J. Brooks, Johnson & Co. 3,000 barrels of mess pork. The agreement was as follows:

CINCINNATI, July 26, 1872. J. L. KECK.

The above contract guaranteed by us on behalf of J. Brooks Johnson & Co. HAMILTON & DAYTON R. R. JOHNSON.

The pork in question, 1,630 barrels, was delivered by Keck's direction to the Cincinnati, Hamilton & Dayton Railroad Company at Cincinnati, and dray-tickets or receipts were given therefor by the Company's forwarding clerk, dated July 31, 1872. The form of these receipts was as follows:

CINCINNATI, Aug. 6, 1872.—Received of McKean & Evans, at the Cincinnati, Hamilton & Dayton Railroad Company's depot, the following articles, in good order, to be forwarded via Richmond to Chicago.

The consignee's name was not mentioned in any of the receipts. They were given to Keck, and not delivered by him until he obtained from the railroad company corresponding bills of lading. On Saturday, Aug. 10, Keck tendered to J. Brooks Johnson & Co., at Cincinnati, the dray tickets, and demanded payment for the pork. Payment was refused on the ground that the packages did not conform to the contract. From eighty to an hundred barrels were then at the depot, and were locked over by the parties on the spot. They were not accepted by J. Brooks Johnson & Co., and no payment was made by them upon the same at any time. On the following Monday, the 12th of August, Keck presented to the railroad company all the dray tickets, and obtained from the railroad company bills of lading for the pork in favor of D. F. Murphy & Co., Chicago, was written as consignee, at the direction of Keck. At this time most of the pork in question had gone forward to Chicago. Some of it had been received there on the 10th, some on the 12th, and some not received at a later day. The freight agent at Chicago testified that the pork came to Chicago assigned or way-billed to J. Brooks Johnson & Co. The arrival of the pork at Chicago, and the delivery of the same to the consignee

MILEAGE OF JURYMEN.

Jury Service No Longer a Profitable Employment for Palatine and Other Cook County Farmers.

The Judges of the Circuit Court Decide that Mileage Shall Be Allowed but "Once Each Way."

In the matter of the mileage of jurors, Judge Tree delivered the following opinion yesterday morning:

This is an application of J. G. Hamilton and others, jurors, regularly summoned and constituting one of the jury panels of this Court, for a rule upon the Clerk of the County Circuit Court requiring him to issue to them, as such jurors, certificates for the number of miles actually traveled by them each day of their service in the Court for the purpose of enabling them to collect their mileage therefor from the county. The application is based upon the last clause of the forty-fourth section of the Fee and Salary act of 1872, which is as follows: "Jurors in courts of record in counties of the third class shall receive only for their services 10 cents per mile, actual travel, going and coming to the places of holding court."

It is urged on the part of the applicants that the proper construction of this portion of the section is that the juror is entitled to be paid mileage for every mile of actual travel which he has performed in going to and returning from court during the period of his service. On the other hand, it is maintained, on the part of the county, that he is only entitled to mileage once each way. For many years prior to the adoption of the present law, jurors throughout the State were allowed for their services in attending Circuit Courts the sum of $1.50 per day, besides 5 cents per mile for every mile of necessary travel, to be computed from the place of holding court to the residence of the juror.

By the forty-fourth section of the act of 1872, the Legislature provided that all jurors attending courts of record shall be paid for their services the same per diem and the same mileage for necessary travel in going to and returning from court as was allowed to them under the old act, expressly excepting, however, jurors in counties of the third class, to which this county (Cook) belongs, who, it declares, shall receive only for their services 10 cents per mile actual travel going to and coming from the places of holding Court.

The question is, did the Legislature intend to allow the juror in counties of the third class mileage for each day's actual travel back and forward, or only once each way, as provided in the case of jurors in counties not of the third class. It is a well-settled rule in the interpretation of statutes, where its words are not explicit, that the intention is to be deduced from the mischief felt and the remedy in view. The Legislature had some reason for providing that citizens in this county should render services as jurors without compensation, while one is allowed to those of every other county in the State. What was the reason? It was shown by experience in this county, which embraces within its limits a large and populous city, under the old system of compensating persons for serving on a jury, a body of men gradually grew up and swarmed around the court, who sought to have themselves placed on the panel simply for the per diem which attached to the position. These men became known as professional jurors, and were particularly obnoxious to every one having anything to do with the administration of justice. It is an evil, perhaps, which is incident only to a large city; at least, the Legislature seemed to think so, and evidently designed to meet and remedy the evil by requiring all citizens of this county to serve as jurors without compensation except mileage. In depriving the juror of this county of any per diem compensation, does the section in question place him on any different footing as to the extent of the mileage to which he is entitled as jurors in other counties? Is their case, except in the matter of giving him 10 cents, instead of 5, per mile? On the argument much stress was laid upon the use of the words "actual travel" in that portion of the section relating to the jurors in this county, while the words "necessary travel" are used in speaking of the jurors in other counties.

When a citizen is once summoned, and appears as a juror, he is supposed to be in attendance upon the court until his term of service expires. If he comes from so distant a part of the country that it would be impossible for him to return to his home between the adjourning of the court and the convening on the following morning, it would be necessary for him to remain near the court. If those who live at nearer points choose to go to their homes at night, it is to suit their own convenience, and they do so at their own peril. It would be no sufficient excuse for a juror, if tardy in attendance, that he lived so far from the court that he could not conveniently reach it when it convened, or that other view would render it impossible to administer justice in the courts. If, then, the juror is required to be in attendance upon the court at all times when his services are required, and cannot take actual travel in the journey which he makes to the court when he is summoned, and that which he makes to his home when he is discharged? If this is a correct view of the duty of a juror with regard to his attendance at court, then there is no substantial difference between the use of the words "actual" and "necessary" travel. In many of the statutes of the several States relating to jurors, witnesses, members of the Legislature, and of County Boards, substantially the same provision occurs with reference to the mileage, and, so far as we know, it has always been construed as allowing mileage but once each way. It may be conceded that it is a hardship upon citizens to require them to leave their homes and serve as jurors for a week without compensation, and it would be contrary to our experience of the working of the law to say that it does not frequently operate as a great injustice. But that is an argument which may be properly addressed to the lawmaking power, and one which courts cannot consider, if the law is clear. The Legislature has the power to impose the burden upon the citizen, and if it operates oppressively on any class, it is from that quarter that they must procure relief.

It is the opinion of a majority of the court, Judge Rogers dissenting, that the rule must be denied.

THE COOK COUNTY PEST-HOUSE.

To the Editor of The Chicago Tribune:

SIR: Both civilization and science demand, in the age of progress, that the sick who are cared for at the public expense be placed under the most favorable conditions for recovery. Other large cities have recognized the fact that to neglect making comfortable and adequate provision for the sick poor is not only disgracefully mean, but extravagantly wasteful. Here in Chicago, however, we linger in the dark ages, packing our sick and injured people who are unable to take care of themselves off to the Arnold street man-trap, shutting them up in small and ill-ventilated wards, denying them sufficient fresh air even, and, indeed, placing them under the most unfavorable conditions for recovery. We surround them with railroads, packing-houses, and beer-saloons, and various noisy shops; and we take particular pains to locate them as near as possible to that health-giving stream, Chicago River. By way of clinching our alliance with the undertaker, and adding the last finishing touch to our atrocious plans, we raise the grade of surrounding streets 6 or 8 feet above the level of the hospital-grounds, so that the latter shall become a sort of general cesspool for the reception of neighborhood filth. And then we *talk* about building a new hospital as soon as we are able, and flatter ourselves that we are doing a wonderfully economical thing in staving off the matter, while men and women are actually dying as a result of this "economy." There is no denying the fact that Cook County Hospital is a disgraceful, rickety old rookery,—disgraceful alike to the city and the county. The practical question is, What are we going to do about it? How much longer shall we tolerate it?

It is but just to say that the present Board of County Commissioners is both willing and anxious to abate this public nuisance, which came into being before it did, and for which, therefore, it cannot be blamed. But it seems to many of those who are practically acquainted with hospital matters, and who are, therefore, best acquainted with the necessities of the case, that the Commissioners move needlessly slow, or, to state the plain truth, are not moving at all. While the people of Cook County expect their representatives to practice a reasonable and judicious economy in the administration of public affairs, they do not desire to expend $2 to-day for the purpose of saving $1 to-morrow; in other words, they do not desire, or approve of, narrow-gauged and short-sighted legislation, which may look like economy on its surface, but which, in the end, will prove both costly and discreditable.

A more liberal, as well as a more respectable, provision for the sick poor of Cook County is an immediate necessity; shall it be met?

CIVILIZATION.

THE STEPHENSON COUNTY COURT-HOUSE.

FREEPORT, Ill., Feb. 22, 1873.

To the Editor of The Chicago Tribune:

SIR: The new court-house was dedicated today. It is a magnificent stone structure, and elaborately finished in all its parts. The building itself cost $117,916.79; the furnishing, $7,292.32; and, with sidewalks, etc., etc., the aggregate cost is $130,413.56. All this debt is provided for but $3,141.

The Hon. Thomas J. Turner, of your city, delivered an address occupying nearly one hour and a half. He was an early settler in this county, and built the first court-house in Stephenson County, in 1838. The first part of his discourse was historical, and full of interesting reminiscences of the early settlement in the Valley of the Pecatonica. Two battles were fought in this county during the Black Hawk War, immediately after which settlers came in, but the great rush was in 1836. The first county officers were chosen the next year, at an election held at the house of William Baker, and 121 votes were cast. The courts were then held in Jo Daviess County. Stephenson County was named for Benjamin Stephenson, the father of Capt. J. W. Stephenson, who was wounded in a battle near here in the summer of 1832, and died of his wounds. The court-house built in 1838 was, *at that time*, Mr. Turner says, the largest and grandest building in the United States, west of Detroit and north of St. Louis. Among early enactments was a law fixing the maximum price that hotel-keepers could charge for a meal at 37½ cents; lodging, 12½ cents.

Stephenson County can boast as good a court-house, I think, as the State can present.

J. C.

RAFFERTY.

Visit to the Prison of the Condemned Murderer.

His Preparations for Friday, March 7.

A special reporter of THE TRIBUNE visited the jail at Waukegan yesterday afternoon and conversed for a few moments with the murderer of Officer O'Meara, who is awaiting the sentence of death at that place. Officer Douglas, who has charge of the jail, admitted our representative, and, introducing him to the redoubtable Chris, left him in the hall into which the cells open. The usually dingy walls have recently been whitewashed, and the ricketty old affair looks rather cheerful than otherwise, and the cell occupied by Rafferty wore quite a home-like appearance. The room is a large one for a prison cell. Along one side is the bed, which was neatly made. In a corner was a stand, on which stood a crucifix, placed there by the Rev. Father Gavin, the Catholic clergyman. Beside it stood a vase of freshly-picked flowers, brought in by the "Sisters," who have charge of the Romish school near by. A chair, a book, one or two papers, and a looking-glass, completed the inventory of the apartment, except the coat and vest of the doomed man, which hung upon the wall, at the rear of the cell; for the warm-blooded man goes most of the time in the uniform of a laborer, with only pants, shirt, and boots on, the former unsupported by braces, but buckled tightly about the hips. His clothes looked neat and clean, and his hair, which is black as an Indian's, was scrupulously combed.

On being informed that his visitor represented THE TRIBUNE, he was somewhat disposed to be moody, but after a moment, in answer to questions, said that THE TRIBUNE had not overstated his case as badly as some of the other papers. He, however, had no affection for newspapers, for a fellow couldn't get into any kind of a scrape without their having to say something about it. He thought that the Waukegan *Gazette* had no business to say that he was ever confined at Fort Pickering, Memphis, Tenn., during the war. That was none of its business, even if it were true, which he denied. He spoke highly of the jailer and his family, and said that he had an abundance of good food to eat. He said that Messrs. Small and Searls, the able counsel who had defended him, had done all they could do for him. Searls' three-hour speech to the jury he regarded as a matter of course. He had heard that a stay of proceedings had been obtained in the case of Pertset, and thought it possible that a similar one would be procured for him, although everybody told him not to expect it.

From the jailer our reporter learned that the prisoner is very quiet and gentlemanly in his actions. His appetite is good, and he eats as much food as prisoners who have been long confined without exercise usually do. He sleeps well the latter part of the night, being usually awakened by the jailer at half-past 7, his breakfast time; but he cannot go to sleep early in the evening. He dines at 12, and takes his supper at 6 o'clock.

The numerous visitors who have been admitted to the jail during the period of his confinement, and the coming and going of other prisoners who have just had their trials, have served to break the monotony of his life, and make more tolerable the time given him by the law before the execution of the final penalty; but a quiet day has the tendency to depress his spirits and make him unhappy. He is frequently visited by Father Gavin and the "Sisters," who have undertaken to be his spiritual advisers. He reads the Bible much, and is evidently trying to prepare to meet the doom that awaits him.

Extra police are still on duty, and no attempt to release him could be successful. A copy of the bill of exceptions has been made and forwarded to the Supreme Court by W. J. Lucas, Clerk of the Circuit Court, and if a supersedeas is granted it must be done speedily.

A Remarkable Record.

The present exhibit of the business of the Domestic Sewing-Machine Company shows a degree of success rarely, if ever, before attained. The present company was organized less than two years ago, by five brothers, the Messrs. Blake, all practical business men, and the unparalleled success of the venture is principally due to the sagacity and energy of these gentlemen. Prior to the present organization, less than 10,000 Domestics were manufactured annually. From May 1, 1871, to Jan. 1, 1872, (eight months), 10,400 machines were produced. During the year 1872, the productions and sales were over 48,000, and the contract for the present year is for 100,000 machines, an increase in 1873 of 400 per cent over the previous year, and over 200 per cent this year on the productions of 1872. The sale of the Domestic in the West has thus far been almost confined exclusively to Illinois. There is, therefore, a vast amount of territory yet to be canvassed and supplied, and a consequent excellent opportunity for agents who may be so fortunate as to secure the sale for it in any portion of the Great Northwest. The Company, who represent a capital of over one and a quarter million dollars, are doing business on a basis which, while it permits of easy payments, insures prompt collections, thereby enabling them to offer a perfectly adjusted and superior machine at a price no greater than others of inferior make. Among its fifty points of superiority, are its perfection of stitch, range of work, ease of operation, self-adjusting tensions, easy and noiseless motion, durability, simplicity, rapidity. It has no cams or gear-wheels, cannot be put out of tune, uses a straight needle, if any part breaks a new piece is easily and handsomely fitted, etc., etc. The headquarters and general offices of the Company are in New York, where they are erecting, on the corner of Broadway and Fourteenth streets, one of the finest business houses in the city, a magnificent building, the cost of which will be over $300,000. The salesroom and offices of the Domestic in this city are at No. 74 State street. They are very conveniently situated, and handsomely furnished. Every machine designed for this market is carefully and perfectly adjusted before being sent out. Mr. Phillips, the manager in Chicago, has an experience of many years in the sewing-machine business, and is a gentleman of integrity and excellent business qualifications, and the company may be congratulated on having secured the services of so efficient a representative.

Jayne's Expectorant.

While a soldier in the late war, I was so materially benefited by the use of Dr. Jayne's Expectorant, that I regard it my duty to inform the public as to my experience. Through the exposure of camp-life in very severe weather, I contracted a cold, which finally settled on my lungs, and, in consequence, the surgeon discharged me as a consumptive. Soon after my arrival home I commenced taking Dr. Jayne's Expectorant, and in a short time thereafter I began to improve, so that in a few weeks I was enabled to go to my employment, farming. Frequently since, I have used the Expectorant in my family for colds and coughs, and always obtained a satisfactory result. I therefore cannot hesitate to recommend this remedy for all colds, and for consumption in its earlier stages.—*William Barton, writing from Paragon, Mich.*

The Fine Arts.

H. A. McCann, of Philadelphia, a prominent art connoisseur, is now exhibiting an excellent selection of 125 oil paintings, which are to be disposed of at auction, under the educated hammer of Messrs. Wm. A. Butters & Co., Nos. 56 and 57 South Canal street, to-morrow afternoon, at 2 o'clock. The collection includes many pictures of unusual merit, representing foreign and American artists of prominence. The pictures are all mounted in handsome frames. We are informed that Mr. McCann's intention is to sell every picture, no matter how low the price obtained, and buyers will, therefore, do well to attend.

Anderson's European Hotel.

At Nos. 143 and 145 East Madison street can be found one of the finest and most popular hotels in the city. Opened to the public only three months ago, it has taken a place in the front rank. Its 125 rooms are elegantly furnished, and everything about the house,—restaurant, barber-shop, bathing-rooms,—is first-class. A glance at its daily register shows a patronage of prominent business men from all parts of the country of which the proprietors may well be proud. Its central location is one of its chief advantages.

Silver and Silver-Plated Ware.

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THE WOMAN'S HOSPITAL.

Formal Opening of the Institution Yesterday.

List of Some of the Principal Contributors to Its Support.

The formal opening of the new building henceforward to be occupied as the Hospital for Women and Children, occurred yesterday. There was no special ceremony about the opening of this most deserving institution. Its occupancy was, like its work, quiet and unostentatious.

Something has already been said in these columns on this subject. A full account of the work done by this institution for the cause of humanity has been published in THE TRIBUNE, and very little remains to be added on this occasion. The new building is situated upon a lot 155 feet square, on the northwest corner of Paulina and Adams streets, and is two stories high, with a basement above ground. It was formerly used as two dwelling-houses, but the Directors have thrown the two houses into one large and serviceable building, which, together with the lot, they own with little encumbrance. It has been divided into wards and apartments for the sufferers, who come into its immediate care, with skill and judgment, and is capable of containing and accommodating thirty patients. The average attendance in hospital has been about fourteen, but the increasing wants of the hospital has necessitated the extension of its accommodations. Besides this, there is a dispensary where medicines are gratuitously afforded to the deserving poor, the whole of the medical department being under the charge of Dr. Mary Thompson, a lady who, for years, has devoted her time and ability to the assistance of sufferers without compensation. There are two lady physicians in the hospital, and this is a point that especially commends itself to the charitable ladies of this city.

As stated above, the opening was unostentatious. The building was thrown open for inspection to the ladies of the city who were interested in the project, and many hundreds of them yesterday evidenced their interest by visiting it. The building was thronged from 2 o'clock in the afternoon till a very late hour last night. A very tempting lunch was spread in the back parlor all day, and it was patronized liberally. The evening was very pleasantly spent by a large number of ladies and gentlemen, who looked through it, and chatted about the prospects of the institution. It was quite late, when a number of the visitors requested the Rev. Dr. Ryder to address them. The exercises proper consisted of a prayer by the gentleman named, followed by reading of the Scriptures, after which he made a few remarks on the beneficial influence of such an institution, and the good expected of it.

The patients will be removed to their new quarters immediately. During the day, a number of ladies contributed to the maintenance of the institution with cash, while presents were received from various sources.

Following are the donations made in cash: Church of the Messiah, $98; E. G. Hall, $20; Mrs. P. B. Gardner, $20; Mrs. E. S. Pike, $20; Mrs. Wirt Dexter, $10; Mrs. J. C. Hilton, $10; Mrs. J. Medill, $10; Mrs. D. A. Gage, $10; Mrs. W. H. Kimball, $5; Mrs. Denton, $10; Mrs. C. C. Clarke, $5; E. S. Pike, $10; Mrs. J. B. Rice, $25; Mrs. A. G. Burley, $10; Mrs. George Hall, $30; Mrs. Campbell, $10; Mrs. Potter, $10; Mrs. George Severn, $15; St. Paul's Universalist Church, $20; L. S. Sanger $5; and F. B. Gardner, $5.

There were also very many donations in goods, the special articles it is needless to enumerate. The donors and cash value of the donations are as follows: Heath & Milligan, $34.75; John Alston & Co., $25; Fuller & Fuller, $13.50; Daniel Shipman, $18; Sullivan & Bros., $16; DeGolyer & Co., $22.50; E. W. Blatchford & Co., $125; Field, Leiter & Co., $75.52; Allen & Mackey and Hollister & Co., carpets, mats, &c.; S. H. Ransom & Co., $50; Irons & Co., 15; Noble & Co., $15; Thayer & Tobey, parlor and dining-room table; Tyrrell & Burley and Ira Bowen & Co., crockery; Simpson, Norwell & Co., $3.30; N. Matson & Co., $18; American Clock Company, $25; Hodges & Co., $2.50; Vickery, Forbes & Co., $3; J. Duffy, $1.50; J. H. McGennisse, $25; H. Andrews, $5; Giles & Bros., $11; Wilmarth & Co., Bassett & Co., Mrs. E. G. Hall, Biggs, Spencer & Co., $12; Scott, Ovington & Co., $12.30; Williamson & Gray, $8; ——Humiston, $8.50; ——Peacock, $3; Baldwin Bros., $4.50; Ketchum & Martin, $10; Robert Law, $12; D. Boyle, $12; Hatch & Breeze, $5; besides others not yet noted down.

PERSONAL.

Fred Gould, of the Gardner House, is rusticating in St. Louis for a few days.

Col. James H. Finnigan is expected back from Cincinnati to-day.

Miss Mathilda Fletcher will lecture to-morrow evening at the University Place Baptist Church.

Rev. W. H. Milburn, well known through the country as the "blind preacher," is at the Sherman House.

Mrs. John G. Saxe and Miss Saxe, wife and daughter of the distinguished Vermont poet, are at the Briggs House.

Stanley, of the New York *Herald*, who found Livingstone, will lecture at the Academy of Music next Sunday evening.

Superintendent of Police Washburn was in his office yesterday, having recovered somewhat from a severe attack of sore throat.

J. H. Raymond, who was Secretary of the State Board of Railroad and Warehouse Commissioners when that body was in existence, is at the Briggs House.

Robert Collyer lectured before the Literary Society of Knox College, Galesburg, last night, on the subject, "Clear Grit," to a large and appreciative audience.

John B. Gough will talk about his own virtues and other people's vices at the Centenary Church, to-morrow evening, and at the Michigan Avenue Baptist Church on Friday evening.

Brownsville, Texas, papers of the 7th inst. notice the arrival of Gen. Thomas O. Osborne, of Chicago, one of the Board of Commissioners appointed by the President to investigate Mexican outrages on the frontier.

Capt. William Turtle, ex-Chief of Police, and present General Superintendent of the Bureau of Insurance Against Burglary, lately organized in this city, left for Canada on Monday evening, on business connected with that enterprise.

Mr. B. Bothwell, the talented and genial law reporter of the *Times*, retires from that position this week, having been appointed to another post on the staff, in which his many good qualities as a journalist will find freer exercise than in the dull and laborious toil of a law reporter.

Gov. Beveridge arrived in the city from Springfield yesterday morning for the purpose of attending the funeral of the venerable Mrs. Huddleston, grandmother of Mrs. Beveridge, which took place in Evanston yesterday afternoon. He will return to the State Capitol this morning.

At the last regular meeting of the Literary Club of the Chicago Christian Union the following officers were elected for the ensuing term: President, H. H. Anderson; Vice-President, C. C. Wetternel; Secretary, Miss Carpenter; Treasurer, K. B. Newell; Presidential Committee, F. P. Fisher, E. T. Duinnny, and Miss Kate Stubbs.

Miss Flora A. Newton, the young actress who was disfigured for life by the explosion of a quantity of "red fire" during a performance of the "Black Crook," at the Academy of Music some weeks since, has written a letter to Manager Gardiner and her brother and sister professionals of the city, expressing gratitude for the generous efforts recently made in her behalf. The matinee benefit given her at the Academy yielded $425.

Bishop Quintard is visiting Texas in the interest of the University of the South.

P. H. Drake, the Plantation Bitters man, will spend $150,000 in advertising, this year.

Budd Doble has offered $60,000 for Gov. Latham's pair of black mares in San Francisco.

The Rev. T. W. Coit, D.D., of Troy, N. Y., has accepted a Professorship in the Berkeley Divinity School, at Middletown, Ct.

Judge Webb, of the Eleventh Judicial District of Kansas, who has been under investigation by the Legislature, has resigned.

The Roman Catholic Bishop of Montreal has appointed the Rev. Canon Moreau, his Vicar, in succession to the late Rev. Canon Truteau.

Chief-Justice Chase has bought a farm of sixty acres in the suburbs of Washington, and intends to spend the rest of his days in quiet retreat.

Charles T. Lewis has compiled, and the Harpers will publish, a complete history of Germany, from the earliest times to 1871, founded upon Muller's "History of the German people."

Mr. Chauveau, Premier of the Quebec Government, has been appointed a Senator of the Dominion of Canada, and also Speaker of the Senate, in the place of the Hon. Mr. Cauchon, resigned.

Col. Albert R. Lamar, of the Savannah *Advertiser*, has been appointed Solicitor-General in the Eastern Circuit of Georgia, because the Governor and Senate could not agree on any other man.

Sir George E. Cartier, of the Canadian Ministry, now in London, sends word that his health is improving steadily, and that there is every prospect of his return before the close of the approaching session.

"Carl Benson" (Charles Astor Bristed) kicked a society editor out of his house the other day in Washington; and the "society editor" thereupon assaulted Mr. J. M. Morris, one of the Senate Clerks, who owns an interest in the *Chronicle*.

Col. A. G. Horn, of the Meridian *Mercury*, has been appointed one of the three Commissioners under a joint resolution of the Mississippi Legislature, to make propositions to the State of Alabama for the acquisition by Mississippi of the County and City of Mobile.

The Rev. John A. Gray, formerly pastor of Christ M. E. Church, Pittsburgh, and who was deposed from the ministry, has been licensed as a local preacher at Topeka, Kan., where he now resides, and will soon enter the regular work of the ministry.

Our conscript fathers sometimes indulge in the pleasures of the dance, and are quite proud of their achievements in that line. Says Senator Justin S. Morrill: "I think I can dance as well as Hannibal Hamlin, and I am sure I can dance better than Zachariah Chandler."

A very handsome and costly pearl ring was stolen last evening from among the bridal presents at the residence of Mrs. Byron Sprague. The thief, if found out, deserves a severe punishment. If such things are to continue, it will be necessary to employ a detective for such occasions.—*Providence (R. I.) Press.*

Robert P. Trippe, just appointed to the Georgia Supreme Bench for a term of twelve years, was a Know-Nothing member of Congress, 1855-'59, and a member of the Confederate Congress, 1861-'63. The present Gov. Smith, by whom he is appointed, was the Democratic rival for Congress in 1855, and succeeded Trippe in the Confederate Congress.

Senator Blair, of Missouri, is so feeble as to require the assistance of a servant or friend while walking around the Capitol. His disease, which is partial paralysis of the spinal column, is of a kind that gradually wears away the physical strength of the victim, and, unless checked by skillful medical treatment, aided by careful nursing, is exceedingly dangerous.

Charles O'Conor, after he had won the Jumel will case for the Chase heirs, was fallen upon by the ladies of Mr. Chase's family with manifestations of gratitude that were quite marked. Mrs. Tranchell embraced and kissed him. Mr. O'Conor observed that, if the elder of the ladies were entitled to kiss him, he had the right to kiss the younger ones, and proceeded to do so, remarking to the Court, "Behold the privilege of age."

COLFAX.

More Testimony Concerning the Nesbitt Checks—What a Chicago Lady Says.

Chicago (Feb. 22) Dispatch to the Cincinnati Gazette.

Your correspondent, in conversation to-day with Mrs. Abby Sage Richardson, who resides in this city, ascertained that she resided in Indianapolis, in the same house with Mrs. Matthews, mother of Schuler Colfax, during the summer of 1869. Your correspondent inquired of Mrs. Richardson if she remembered of having heard Mrs. Matthews make any statement relative to Mr. Colfax receiving a gift from any source. She replied that she was possessed of information on that subject which she was willing to make public if it would aid in demonstrating the truth.

She thereupon stated that, about February, 1869, Mrs. Matthews exhibited to her a letter from Mr. Colfax, inclosing a letter from a Mr. Nesbitt, of New York, who, Mrs. Richardson understood, was a retired merchant. Mr. Nesbitt's letter stated, in substance, that he rejoiced in the political success of Mr. Colfax, whom he knew to be able and honest, and supposed to be poor. He expressed admiration for the career of Mr. Colfax, and told him that he would not be able to live upon his salary in Washington in a manner becoming the rank of Vice-President; that he (Nesbitt), having abundant means, would send to Mr. Colfax $1,000 each quarter during his Vice-Presidential term, without expecting a return other than the satisfaction of assisting a public man whose integrity had kept him comparatively poor.

Mrs. Richardson is positive that Mr. Nesbitt stated that he would send $1,000 every quarter. Mrs. Matthews was very proud of so great an appreciation of the character of her son, and the letter of Mr. Colfax inclosing Nesbitt's intimated nothing more than a recognition of Nesbitt's surprising generosity. Mrs. Richardson is not positive as to what form the $1,000 were sent in; but the best of her recollection is, that the letter stated it contained a check for that amount. Soon after the inauguration, Mrs. Matthews informed Mrs. Richardson that Nesbitt was dead, and Mrs. Richardson expressed her regret that Mr. Colfax would thus be deprived of assistance of which he was in need; but, soon after this, a letter was received, which Mrs. Richardson read, from the sons of Nesbitt. This letter stated that they had found a memorandum among the papers of their father, in substance that of the first letter, and that, although they were under no legal obligation, their father having given no instructions in his will, they would keep his pledge. Mrs. Richardson says that her memory is clear as to this letter from Nesbitt's sons.

Your correspondent asked whether Mrs. Matthews was accustomed to return to Mr. Colfax the letters she received from him; and Mrs. Richardson replied that, lacking positive knowledge, she had no reason to suppose that Mrs. Matthews ever returned any of the letters. In answer to your correspondent's question as to why Mrs. Richardson had not made these statements public before, she replied that she had not done so for two reasons: She does not read the newspapers, and did not understand the nature of the controversy; and, secondly, she did not know whether the information coming from her would receive the attention which it would receive coming from another.

SPECIAL NOTICES.

A Paragraph for Dyspeptics.

If you have a weak stomach, and wish to make it weaker, take violent purgations. There is no surer way to render indigestion chronic. But if you are dyspeptic, and, like a sensible person, desire to strengthen your digestive organs and compel them to perform their essential duties thoroughly and regularly, take a dose of Hostetter's Stomach Bitters before every meal, until your delinquent stomach is restored to a healthy condition. It should be understood that dyspepsia is always complicated with disturbances of the liver and an unnatural state of the bowels, and that no medicine which does not reach and rectify these irregularities can possibly cure this agonizing disease. Hostetter's Stomach Bitters is an anti-bilious agent and a gradual cathartic, as well as a tonic and stomachic, and hence its unparalleled efficacy in the severest cases of chronic indigestion.

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JOHN JAY KNOX,
Comptroller of the Currency.

MISSING.

RICHARD DAWSON, formerly a teamster in Chicago. Any person giving such information as shall lead to his discovery will be suitably rewarded; and should this meet the eye of the said Richard Dawson, he is earnestly requested to communicate with his relatives in England, by which he would hear of something to his advantage. Information to be given to Mr. JAMES DAWSON, or to Mrs. HANNAH DAWSON (Mr. Dawson), Havelock-place, Buddington, Yorkshire, England.

Order of Notice.

Frances L. Graff and Hattie A. Knapp vs. the heirs and devisees of Theodore R. Knapp.

Upon the petition of the said Frances L. Graff and Hattie A. Knapp against the heirs and devisees of Theodore R. Knapp, deceased, praying for the final order of this Court, to be holden at Bridgeport, within and for Fairfield County, State of Connecticut, on the first Tuesday of March, A. D. 1873, praying, for reasons therein set forth, for the sale of lands held in common in said City of Bridgeport by said petitioners and respondents, it appearing by said being found, by the subscribing authority, that the said respondents are absent from this State, and residing in Chicago, in the State of Illinois, Therefore, ordered, that notice of the pendancy of said petition be given by publishing a copy of this order three times in a daily newspaper of general circulation in the City of Chicago, commencing on or before the 26th day of February, A. D. 1873.

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At the Union Park Congregational Church, on to-morrow night, Feb. 27, and will also repeat the popular programme of the grand gala night of last Wednesday, as a grand
MEMORIAL MATINEE,
On to-morrow afternoon, at 2 o'clock, at the Michigan Avenue Baptist Church. Reserved seats for Matinee, only $1, for sale at South Side Star depots. Reserved seats for Wagner night, $1.50 and $2, for sale at West Side Star depots and at 69 Wabash-av. South Side buyers of tickets will reserve, at 69 Wabash-av., tickets for conveyance to and from Wagner night in chartered omnibuses.

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WEST SIDE—Dyche & Co.'s, cor. Madison and Halsted-sts., and Bell's, 66 Madison-st., cor. Sheldon.

HOOLEY'S OPERA HOUSE.
THE PARLOR HOME OF COMEDY.—Wednesday, Feb. 26, third night of the dramatic gem, FALSE SHAME; Or, NEW YEAR'S EVE, direct from Daly's Fifth-av. Theatre, and now running in London, where it has reached its 300th PERFORMANCE. A beautiful play, finely acted."—*Times.* "A splendid play, mounted with a royal elegance."—*Tribune.* "Something really fine."—*Journal.* In notice of the first appearance of the charming soubrette, Miss SIDNEY COWELL, it prognosticates, Hon. "PERIL." "THE GENTLE SAVAGE." Mrs. "ALIXE." Wednesday and Saturday, FALSE SHAME Matinees.

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TO-DAY'S AMUSEMENTS.

M'VICKER'S THEATRE—Madison street, between State and Dearborn. Engagement of Edwin Booth. "Fools Revenge."

ACADEMY OF MUSIC—Halsted street, south of Madison. "Counterfeit." Afternoon and evening.

HOOLEY'S OPERA HOUSE—Randolph street, between Clark and LaSalle. "False Shame." Afternoon and evening.

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The Chicago Tribune.

Wednesday Morning, February 26, 1873.

Senator Morton has agreed not to call up Senator Caldwell's case till after March 4.

The extraordinary document read by Gen. Butler to Congress, Monday, was referred to by Judge Poland, in his speech, yesterday, as "something called a report."

The murderer, Samuel C. West, who is 78 years old, was sentenced, yesterday, at Geneva, to imprisonment for life. Even if the sentence is executed, his incarceration, at his age, cannot be long.

Speaker Blaine and E. B. Washburne are talked of as candidates for the Presidency. The "Credit Lobelia" men are supposed to be against both of them, but especially against Blaine, because he moved the investigation.

It is stated as an interesting bit of social gossip that Mr. Henry Wilson, the Vice-President, is about to be married. It is safe to assume that the future Mrs. Wilson will not care to accept any Credit Mobilier stock as a bridal present.

The question of Chinese cheap labor has been brought before Congress by the Committee on Education and Labor, who asked unanimous consent to report Coghlan's bill prohibiting contracts for servile labor. The consent they asked was not given.

Mr. Colfax's room, in Washington, is reported to have been robbed of $4,000 in bonds. The misfortune is all the greater because this sum was not the identical $4,000 Nesbitt contribution, which Mr. Colfax would undoubtedly have given up, along with its recollections, without any reluctance.

Jurors in Cook County are hereafter to be allowed mileage only once each way during their service. The law is construed by the Circuit Judges in the decision delivered by Judge Tree to presume that a citizen when once summoned will remain in constant attendance on the court. He may go home at night, but at his own peril and expense. He will be paid mileage only for one journey to the court and for one to his home. This decision will save the county many tens of thousands of dollars a year.

The Ministerial crisis in Spain is over. The National Assembly has elected a new Ministry, which leaves President Figueras and Minister Castelar and their associates in the Departments of Justice and the Interior untouched. The Chiefs of the Marine, Finance, Public Works Colonies, and War Departments are changed. President Figueras introduced the new Ministry to the Assembly in a speech, in which he stated that the policy of the Government would be unaltered.

President Grant asks Congress to take some action, if any be feasible, to put an end to the complications that are now prostrating the business and political interests of Louisiana. He recites the facts of the conflict of authority, the existence of two Executives and two Legislatures, explains and defends his interference to sustain Judge Durell, and states that, in case Congress does nothing to restore order in the State, he will feel it his duty to do so by recognizing and maintaining the Government declared elected by the Lynch Returning Board.

Senator Pomeroy declares that the $7,000 he paid York was given him to be taken to a mutual friend who needed that sum of money to complete the capital necessary for the establishment of a National Bank at Independence. He says that York asked him to intrust the money to him for delivery. The Senator avers that he never himself used, or authorized others for him to use, money to purchase his election. York was recalled, and swore that the National Bank at Independence had never been mentioned in his negotiations with Pomeroy.

In the debate on the report of the Credit Mobilier Committee, Mr. Farnsworth reduced that document to these four propositions: 1. That Oakes Ames had bribed his friends. 2. That they did not know they were bribed. 3. That they were not affected by the bribery. 4. That neither Ames nor they knew for what purpose the bribery was attempted. Mr. Farnsworth declared his inability to see why Ames should bribe his friends, or how one person could commit a bribery any more than one person could commit matrimony.

There are some discrepancies, it is stated by a special committee of the State Senate, between the report made by the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy Railroad to its stockholders and that made by it to the Railroad Commissioners. In the latter, the cost of construction is put at $36,000 per mile, with $3,000 more for equipment; in the former, the road is said to have built at the rate of $16,000, equipment included. The road has received local and other aid sufficient to reduce this cost to $10,288 per mile. The Committee say that in their report to the public the Company attempted to show how much the road cost and how little they made, while to their stockholders they showed how cheaply it was built and how much they were making. The Committee complain that the reports of the railroad companies to the Railroad Commissioners abound in errors, some amounting to mistakes of $1,000,000.

Prince Bismarck has recently made a speech which brings confusion to those who have attempted to attribute his partial retirement to a disagreement with the Emperor. He explains that he has borne the burden of an accumulation of offices for many years, but that he is no longer strong enough to do it. He reminds the people that he is growing old. Bismarck was for a long time Minister-President, which required him to direct the policy of the various members of the Cabinet; he was also Minister of Foreign Affairs, and the head of the administration of Alsace and Lorraine. He has resigned his position of Premier and retained the two latter. It would be but natural to suppose, in the absence of his explanation, that he would have preferred to resign the two latter, as a means for reducing his labors, and retained the higher position, if he had exercised his own choice in the matter.

In the Congressional discussion of that portion of the appropriations set aside for the diplomatic and consular service, some curious revelations were made. It was found, for instance, that an old law provides that, when one Minister performs at the same time the duties of Minister to another country, he shall receive, in addition to his own salary, half the pay attached to the latter position. As half a dozen Central American missions are consolidated, it was discovered that the Minister performing the duties was in receipt of $22,500 a year, or $5,000 more than the Minister to France or England receives. It was also found that, though there is no longer any such Government as Paraguay, a Minister is always appointed, and draws his pay without even going near the country. These are but samples of the present condition of the American diplomatic and consular systems. One or two unimportant reductions of pay were made, but it is evident that there should be a complete revision of the laws and practices of foreign representation.

When the report of the Poland Credit Mobilier Committee came before the House, yesterday, Gen. Butler surpassed himself by moving that the evidence gathered by the Committee be referred to the District Attorney and the prosecuting officers of the District of Columbia, to be by them submitted to the Grand Jury, who should find indictments if they were called for by the facts. The debate was opened by Mr. Poland, who defended the report of the Committee, and urged vehemently that Ames and Brooks be expelled. Some of his arguments had a far wider range than he evidently meant to give them. In referring to Ames' bribing he said: "If a man's moral sense saw no wrong in what his predecessors had declared a penitentiary offense which should forever disqualify a man from holding the meanest office, was such a man fit to sit here as one of the law-makers of the land?" This "penitentiary offense" is bribery; a bribe to be given must be taken; does Judge Poland mean to reverse the Scriptural rule, and declare, as to bribes, that it is more blessed to receive than to give?

A principle has been recognized in the governing of the Boston police which, though not unknown in European cities, is entirely new in this country. It comprehends the necessity for preventing crime in order to diminish it. The idea of police duty in most cities is that of making arrests after crime has been committed. At all events, this has been the case in Chicago. Bodies of thieves have been known to infest the city, to have their regular places of rendezvous, and to come and go without hindrance, as long as they were not actually caught in a criminal act. Gambling-houses have been permitted to be furnished and opened under the very eyes and nose of the police without interference, until an order for "pulling" them has been issued. The Boston idea goes back of the commission of crime, and endeavors to forestall it. One of the very first steps of this new departure was to dismiss the regular detective force. It was assumed, and probably not without justice, that commerce between the thieves and detectives is a natural sequence of this system. Its abolition also gives an opportunity for the employment of citizens, upon occasion, who are not known to the dangerous classes as are the familiar faces of the regular detective force. The new plan is said to work admirably in Boston, and is applied to the numerous preventive measures that constantly develop themselves when such a treatment is in vogue. It would be well for the police authorities of Chicago to inform themselves upon the details of the Boston system.

The Chicago produce markets were moderately active yesterday. Mess pork was in good demand and 20c per brl higher, closing at $13.30@13.35 cash, and $13.65@13.70 seller April. Lard was active and unchanged, at $7.65 per 100 lbs cash, and $7.85 seller April. Meats were less active and a shade easier, at 4¾@4¾c for shoulders; 6¾@6¾c for short ribs; 6¾c for short clear, and 8¾@8¾c per lb for 18-lb green hams. Dressed hogs were quiet and 5c per 100 lbs higher, at $5.30@5.45. Highwines were quiet and steady at 87c per gallon. Lake freights were more active and firm at 12½c for corn to Buffalo. Flour was dull and steady. Wheat was moderately active and 1¾@1¾c lower, closing at $1.18¾ cash, $1.18¾ seller March, and $1.21¾ seller April. Corn was tame and ½@¾c lower, closing at 31c cash or seller March, and 31¾c seller April. Oats were dull and ¾c lower, closing at 25½c cash, and 26½c seller April. Rye was dull and 1@1½c lower, closing at 63c. Barley was in moderate demand and irregular, closing at 69½@70c for regular No. 2, or seller March. The market for lean hogs was active and excited. The demand was mainly on Eastern account, but the competition was brisk, and prices advanced 15@20c per 100 lbs, closing at $4.50@5.00. The cattle trade was fairly active, with prices firm. Sheep were quiet and unchanged. The stocks of grain in store on Saturday last were 2,020,754 bu wheat; 5,040,108 bu corn; 1,489,965 bu oats; 301,497 bu rye, and 396,118 bu barley. Total, 9,248,442 bu, and 85,452 bu corn afloat.

There is said to be serious apprehension of a coal-famine in England. The prices have been so high already that the poorer classes have had to do without it. The sum of $12.50 does not seem to be an exorbitant price for cannel coal, according to the American tariff, but it is so in view of the fact that the average price in England heretofore has been from $5 to $6. The rise is explained by the existence of a ring of proprietors and a ring of dealers, who fix the prices to suit themselves. They claim that the recent strikes, the diminution of the number of hours which the miners work, and the increase of the pay which they receive, force them to fix the prices at the high figures stated. Political economists go further, however, and assert that henceforth the demand will be in excess of the supply, and that prices will increase proportionately. It is said that the combined coal-fields of England do not contain more than 90,000,000,000 tons. The annual consumption is estimated at about 115,000,000 tons. The cost of mining is increasing, not only on account of the higher prices paid for labor, but on account of the greater depth at which the coal must be worked. The latter difficulty will naturally grow with every year. Under these conditions, it is safe to assume that coal will never again be so cheap in England as heretofore,—a circumstance that will materially affect the industrial and financial interests of the country.

The Colfax controversy still rages in a small way. Mr. E. G. D. Holden publishes in the Grand Rapids *Eagle* two letters from Mr. Colfax to himself, to prove that the Vice-President is "a generous, confiding man," and that the charges against him cannot be true. One of these letters, dated South Bend, Oct. 15, 1872, accepting an invitation to make a political speech in Michigan, says:

> But I cannot accept the $100 you so kindly proffer. My salary scarcely pays my expenses, but I never yet took a cent for speaking for the cause I love, even for expenses in canvasses. Yours very truly,
>
> SCHUYLER COLFAX.

Mr. Holden was not aware, perhaps, when he published this letter, that Mr. Colfax had admitted the acceptance of a $1,000 check from Nesbitt in April, 1868, for his personal expenses (not for the Indiana Committee's expenses), in the canvass of that year. The letter to Holden, therefore, does not go far to establish what it was intended to prove.

Mrs. Abby Sage Richardson has been interviewed by a reporter of the Cincinnati *Gazette* on the subject. She says that, when residing in Indianapolis during the spring and summer of 1869, Mrs. Matthews exhibited to her a letter from Nesbitt to Colfax, which had inclosed $1,000 (she thinks the remittance was in the form of a check), in which Nesbitt said he would send Colfax $1,000 every three months. The interviewer continues:

> In answer to the correspondent's question as to why Mrs. Richardson had not made these statements public before, she replied that she had not done so for two reasons. She does not read the newspapers, and did not understand the nature of the controversy; and, secondly, she did not know whether the information coming from her would receive the attention which it would receive coming from another.

The importance of Mrs. Richardson's testimony seems to consist in the fact, not heretofore mentioned, that Nesbitt's remittances were to be $1,000 *quarterly*. The three check remittances were made in April, July, and November, at intervals of three months. The alleged greenback remittance in June seems to disturb this methodical arrangement considerably.

FREIGHT DISCRIMINATIONS.

The intimation is made pretty broadly in the opinion of the Supreme Court, in the Alton Railroad case, that a discrimination in freight charges which is grounded upon the mere fact of competition, and has no other fact to sustain it, is an unjust discrimination, and one which will not be tolerated. This is a declaration of the gravest importance, and whether the towns which are now discriminated against, as in the case of Lexington vs. Bloomington, shall reap all the advantages they hope for or not, it behooves the railway companies to put their business into harmony with this doctrine forthwith. It may be alleged that the discrimination in favor of Bloomington not having been created by the Alton Railway, but by other competing roads, the discrimination will practically continue after the Alton Railway shall have conformed to the principle laid down by the Court—that is, that an increase of its rates to $5.65 per M for carrying lumber to Bloomington will not put Lexington on the same footing as Bloomington, since the road from Toledo (which, being mainly an Indiana and Ohio corporation, is not subject to the jurisdiction of this State) can still carry lumber to Bloomington for $5. We assume, for the purpose of argument, that the Alton Railway's allegation, that it cannot carry lumber at a profit if it is compelled to reduce its rates at all points on its line to the figure adopted for Bloomington, is true. If it be true, then the advantage possessed by Bloomington over Lexington will continue the same as before, and the only result will be that Illinois railways and Illinois lumber merchants will lose a traffic which they now have, and the railways and merchants of other States will gain it. If it be not true, then the people everywhere will have gained a material advantage.

One thing is certain: the decision must be sustained. It is an application of the principles of the common law to common carriers. It is a just principle which forbids discrimination between different communities and different individuals of the same community. Whatever inconveniences it entails upon the carrier, in the complicated relations of modern railways, the inconveniences resulting to the community from the opposite principle are much greater. Moreover, the common law is now the barrier which stands between the railways and that class of demagogues who propose that a fine of $16,000,000 shall be imposed for the offense of carrying one car-load of lumber to Bloomington for $5 per M, while $5.65 per M is charged for carrying another car-load to Lexington. The railways cannot afford to aid in breaking down the common law. They must conform to it, and the sooner they set about it the better for themselves.

THE SPRINGFIELD CONFERENCE.

An informal meeting of gentlemen at Springfield, a few days ago, drew out an expression of opinion from those present, of various antecedents, as to the probable shape of political parties in the future. It was conceded that one misfortune of the Cincinnati movement was, that it had not been simply the beginning of a new party, instead of one wing of a double organization. The campaign of 1872, instead of being the vigorous effort of a new party contending against an old one, was the disunited action of two separate bodies. The Democratic party did not abandon its organization or lay aside its distinctive character. It nominated Horace Greeley and Gratz Brown, at the same time holding to the Democratic organization. Probably it could not have done anything else at that time. On the other hand, the Liberals could not, even if they were so disposed, attach themselves to the Democratic party. In breaking with their old political friends, they had no intention of elevating their old political enemies; still less of putting in force the principles which had governed the Democratic party during the previous ten years. The Cincinnati movement was intended to organize a new party. It came short of its object by striving for success in the first campaign. The Democratic party, instead of uniting as members of this new party, disclaimed any open connection with it, but adopted its platform and resolved to vote for its candidates. The opposition in 1872 was, therefore, a dual organization, having no firm bond of unity. Some Democrats, still holding allegiance to their party, refused to vote for Republicans, and Republicans in the several State elections refused to vote for men who insisted that they belonged to the Democratic party. Under these circumstances, as Gov. Palmer remarked at Springfield, it is a wonder that the Liberal candidates received as large a vote as they did. The wonder is not that so many Democrats voted for Grant, or refused to vote, but that so many voted for Greeley.

The experience of 1872 shows that the dual system must be abandoned. The Liberal party must stand on its own bottom. There must be no partnerships; it must do business in its own name. If its principles are not sufficiently attractive to command a following, it had better not attempt to be a party. If the Republican and Democratic parties are to continue, a new party can have no more affiliation with the one than the other. Better have a distinct and separate organization, with well-defined principles, with only ten voters in each State at the first election, than repeat the experiment of last year. Let those who believe that both the old parties have outlived their usefulness and their purity be equally invited to join it, and take part in managing its affairs, and giving it ultimate success.

Apprehensions were expressed at the Springfield meeting that the whole Democratic party would not join a new party. Very likely. It is not desirable that they should. There never was a dissolution of a party where all its members went over in a body to the new one. When the Whig party expired, not more than half of its members joined the new Republican party; a moiety of Whigs went to the Democrats, while the new Republican party was made up about equally of both the old parties. Any movement for a new party which waits until the whole Democratic party or the whole Republican party is prepared to join it, must be considered as virtually abandoned. Unless the new party has some distinctive principles, or *raison d'etre*, to offer, there is no occasion for it at all. The idea of a new party presupposes that there are insuperable objections to all existing parties, and that its declaration of principles is a public necessity. If that necessity exists, then let the new party be formed upon its own principles, without regard to numbers, and let an invitation be extended to individuals, not political parties, to join it. We believe that if such a party had been organized in 1872, a much larger portion of the Republican party would have joined it, though it might still have failed of success. We suppose that a very large portion of the Democratic party would have joined the "Strong Government" organization, just as the old-line Whigs, under the lead of James Brooks, Millard Fillmore, Henry A. Wise, and Reverdy Johnson, went over to the pro-slavery wing of the Democracy. But the new party being responsible for nothing in the past, being uncorrupted by spoils, and being aggressive in its advocacy of reforms and the establishment of new and long-needed policies, would have had the cordial and hearty support of a sufficient number of people to constitute now a strong minority, instead of being a political nonentity, not numerous enough in Congress to keep the Republicans from goring and trampling each other as they are now doing.

THE COST OF RAILROADS IN ILLINOIS.

If there had been no other result from the establishment of the Board of Railroad and Warehouse Commissioners than the publication of their second annual report, the money spent would have been well repaid. No other volume of information so important in all respects has ever been published in this State, and for the first time the Legislature has had the information actually needed for intelligent legislation upon the subject of railroads. But the tables of statistics furnished by the Commissioners, valuable as they are, can be made still more useful. For instance, the Commissioners furnish tables showing: The amount of the stock and debts of the various railway companies; the length of line, and cost of road and equipment; equipment and mileage of trains; earnings in detail; expenses in detail; gross earnings and expenses compared; tables of the tonnage, and a report of the accidents of the year. In the decision of the McLean County case, the Supreme Court made a suggestion that, in future suits to test the justice or injustice of discriminating rates, the railroad company might offer evidence explaining the same, including the rate of profit derived from the capital invested in the road. The importance of this point had occurred to the Railroad Commissioners, who, in their report, after stating that the cost of the railroads in this State averaged about $42,264 per mile, used this language:

> The fact that our roads show such great cost cannot, as a rule, be traced to natural obstacles and difficulties of construction presented by the material encountered, or by the contour of the surface of the State. On the contrary, the topography of the country is especially adapted to the building of railroads at a moderate cost. It may be safely assumed that during the past twenty years the average cash cost of constructing the railroads of the State, including their equipment, has not exceeded $25,000 per mile. The difference between this and the cost they represent has arisen in various ways, such as fictitious stock rated full paid, sacrifices made in the sale of securities, and other losses growing out of bad management and unavoidable delays in the work of construction.

What is needed to complete the information embodied in the tables of statistics is an accurate analysis of the capital stock and bonded debts which now represent the cost of the road, and upon which profit is expected. How much of this capital stock is fictitious? How much of this cost consists of the sale of securities below par, and how much of this sacrifice was the result of necessity, and how much of bad management and fraud? Let the new Board of Commissioners supply this deficiency (the old Board could not do everything at once), so that courts and juries in the future may be able to determine how far a profit upon fictitious stock or fraudulent debt renders rates and discriminations just and reasonable, which otherwise would be oppressive and illegal. According to the judgment of the Supreme Court, the railroads will hereafter be placed on the defensive, and, when they make a discrimination in rates, there must be some other excuse than the mere fact of competition; they must be prepared to furnish to the satisfaction of a court and jury such an array of circumstances and considerations as will constitute a justification of the same. In this, the item of receipts and expenditures and profit upon capital invested will be an important point. The question whether the companies are entitled to profit upon a cost of, say, $25,000 per mile, or upon a cost of $42,000 per mile; whether fictitious stock, or bonds issued fraudulently, are to be paid for by exactions on the public, are matters which may have a grave bearing upon the subject, and upon which the Railroad Commissioners, representing the people, should have full and accurate information.

The cost of several of these roads, as represented by their capital stock and debts, with the amount of such cost per mile, is given as follows:

Roads.	*No. of miles.*	*Cost of road, &c.*	*Cost per mile.*
Chicago & Alton.....	849	$16,083,800	$29,359
Chicago, R. & Q.....	761	35,388,727	46,333
Chic., D. & Vincennes	102	3,321,000	32,765
Illinois Central.....	705	31,902,987	45,356

These will serve to show the wide variance in the figures of the reported cost of the several roads. Can there be more important information with respect to future litigation than a statement of what this cost consists,—how much of it is real and honest, and how much fictitious. That there is a real and *bona fide* difference in the cost of different railroads and their equipment, and between the same railroads at different times, is beyond all doubt, and it therefore follows that what would be reasonable rates on one road would be unreasonable rates on others. These and similar questions are certain to rise in future litigation, under whatever laws may be adopted. They point out the necessity of obtaining full details concerning the cost of railroads, and the real and fictitious values represented by their stock and debts.

NOTES AND OPINON.

A Congressional Query: How is your Credit?—What has become of Colfax's suit for perjury against Oakes Ames?

—John C. Connor, the Texas Congressman (from Indiana), announces that he shall hereafter support the Administration. The Democrats who sent Capt. Connor to Washington did not re-elect him. Hence, a bid for Federal office.

The Lower House of Congress avoids a vote on the Louisiana question, in this way:

> Lott (colored) abandons contest for Boarman's seat, with the understanding that he shall be paid by the House expenses of the contest. Lott had Pinchback's, and Boarman Warmoth's certificate.

—The atmosphere of New Orleans being more and more uncongenial, the Kellogg Government talks of going up-river to Baton Rouge.

—The Cleveland *Leader* says:

> The extra session of the Senate, which it is announced that the President will convene immediately at the close of the present Congress, will be occupied almost exclusively with confirming the President's nominations. No legislation can be had, since the House will not be in session; nothing but executive business can be attended to.

Indeed, but there can. The Senate is privileged to inquire at once into the election returns and qualifications of its new members, notably Jones, Mitchell, Sargent, Patterson (of S. C.), Bogy, Ingalls, and others, besides determining between the rival claimants for Louisiana and Alabama. All this business may, and should, be done before the regular session next winter.

—Nebraska politicians are now agitating for a division of the State, on the line of the Platte. Two Senators are not enough for its 128,000 inhabitants; and, what is worse, one capital cannot be located on both sides of the river.

—The Leavenworth *Times* (D. K. Anthony's paper) has these paragraphs:

> It is currently reported on the streets that in the event of Caldwell's expulsion from the Senate, Lem Elkins will refuse to pay his half of the expenses incurred in the election and defense of Caldwell. It is well known that Smith, by agreement with Caldwell, was to pay one-half the cost of the election, and share alike in the profits to arise out of any and all Senatorial schemes. It is generally understood that up to this time very little money has been made.
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> There seems to be the utmost confusion concerning the scamp [George C. Crowther] who is Secretary of the Senate. His statement that $6,200 had been received by him from members who had been bribed, and his denial of the same after the statement had by his authority been telegraphed over the country, is cause for his expulsion from the place he dishonors.

An exchange says "Caldwell did not bribe the Kansas Legislature." Then it was because the Kansas Legislature demanded $15 or $20 more than Caldwell could raise—*Louisville Courier-Journal*.

—Oakes Ames says he has no intention of being expelled from Congress. It would seem a little queer if he were to be ostracised by a body like the present Congress.—*St. Louis Republican*.

The Philadelphia *Press* pleasantly alludes to an illustrious Pennsylvania Senator as the "hoary chief of political corruptionists—the original debaucher of Legislatures," and calls for a visitation of public scorn upon men like him as well as upon "comparatively innocent men like Mr. Colfax." "We are," it says, "in favor of a ceaseless war upon the epidemic of corruption; is threatening to swamp Republican institutions in a sea of universal disgust, but let the work of punishment begin with the principal official rogues—the Mephistos in Congress, who, in connection with lobby agents, plan campaigns against the Treasury and secure for themselves the lion's share."

—We have not noticed any inflammatory action in the Cincinnati pulpit respecting the Credit Mobilier. Is it the fact that some Christian statesmen are involved, that wets the powder of our pulpit canoniers? The Rev. Laird Collier, of Chicago, recently ventilated, in a sermon, the Credit Mobilier, taking for his text Isaiah i., 2, 3: "Thy Princes are companions of thieves; every one loveth gifts, and followeth after rewards." And there was quite a snuffle about it, too. The *Inter-Ocean* put its ears over its eyes and boohooed right out—"bellered," as they say in France.—*Cincinnati Commercial*.

—It turns out that all those Credit Mobilier Congressmen are innocent. They say so themselves.—*Louisville Courier-Journal*.

—It is cheering to observe that one organ of public opinion having a large printed surface still labors for the succor of Colfax. It is Elder Scammon's paper, of Chicago, and the fact is logically accounted for in the prospectus of the paper, which conspicuously advertises that it is "independent in nothing."—*St. Louis Republican*.

—The business card of the enterprising Nesbitt was printed on the seal of the very envelope which was furnished the Government. This fact created a great deal of comment at the time.—*Detroit Free Press*.

—First class in Congressional moral philosophy, stand up. Teacher—"What's the highest duty of man?" Some of the class hesitate, but the majority quickly answer: "To catch a Congressman doing wrong without knowing it." Teacher—"What's the next highest?" Class (with a unanimous roar)—"To punish the catcher!" Teacher—"Bless you, my lads. You're too bright, too beautiful to last."—*New York Commercial Advertiser*.

—Some journals are so if there were dissension brewing between President Grant and Congress. Not a bit of it. If he can only get the country to looking at the awful crimes of the polygamous Mormons out in Utah, the Credit Mobilier men in Washington will all make a solemn compact to vote for a third term to their preserver.—*New York World*.

—A Washington paper regularly publishes what it calls "C. M. Personals." What does that mean?" inquired a greenhorn. "Oh, C. M., Credit Mobilier, don't you know? An M. C. reversed.

—Scientists declare that Mr. Colfax's explanation will not stand a "spectrum analysis."—*New York Commercial Advertiser*.

—It is said that Schuyler Colfax—but who wants to know any more about Schuyler Colfax?—*Cincinnati Enquirer*.

—Grant is to be inaugurated on a platform 325 feet in length by 150 in width. Are all his office-holding relations to be present? If yes, what room will there be left for Congress and the rest of mankind?—*New York Sun*.

—There is no doubt about it. Judge Charles Sherman has got himself into the worst scrape of the season; and it has been a pretty good season for scrapes too.—*Cincinnati Commercial*.

—That a Judge of the United States Court should engage in such practices is one of the most saddening illustrations of the demoralization of our politics. The judiciary is the last resort of a free people, and when it becomes corrupted, our Republican institutions are poisoned at their fountain.—*Detroit Tribune*.

—It is gratifying to know that, while the retiring Vice President has been convicted of telling a black lie, his successor confesses to telling a white one. The distinction is not without a difference, though there are old-fashioned Puritans who are so rigid in their notions of morality as to insist that a lie is a lie "for a' that."—*Golden Age*.

—The Buffalo *Commercial Advertiser* (Republican) says Colfax is worse off with the Nesbitt money than with the $1,200 check; and that "beyond the shadow of a doubt, he is guilty of awful and deliberate perjury." Then, speaking of the proposed impeachment, it adds, emphatically:

> No! Let Mr. Colfax bear with him into private life the crushing load of disgrace and humiliation. At one time the most honored and popular of our public men, he ends his career an object of profound pity. The public cannot feel indignant at him. They are too merciful to despise him. With all their hearts they pity him, as a man whose good name is ruined, and whose fair fame is disgracefully tarnished forever.

—Let no American, especially no *young* American, fall into the blunder of supposing, because Mr. Colfax escapes impeachment, he has therefore escaped punishment. He carries his judge and executioner within his own bosom. One glimpse into that secret torture-chamber would melt to sudden pity the fiercest partisan or personal enemy who is now clamoring for his impeachment.—*Springfield Republican*.

—The Vice-President defunct continues to point the moral of the poet's lines:

> Oh, what a tangled web we weave
> When first we practice to deceive!

—No statesman devoted to the Christian religion was proved to be a rascal yesterday for the first time; and a holy calm, the lull after the storm, is said to have pervaded the great, struggling capital.—*Cincinnati Enquirer*.

—Shall we never get to the end of it? Has Congress become a mere instrument in the hands of public plunderers for the robbery of the Treasury? In the Sherman lobby case, Legrand Lockwood testified that $1,000,000 was spent in Washington, last winter, to increase the subsidy to the Pacific Mail to $1,000,000 for ten years, instead of $500,000, as heretofore. The service was increased from a monthly to a semi-monthly mail. An investigating committee has been called for, and the public may reasonably expect a continuation of the nauseating stench which follows the uncovering of corruption. Well, while at it let the Augean stables be thoroughly cleansed.—*Toledo Blade*.

—We trust that there will be no hesitation in impeaching Judge Sherman, if the Committee of Ways and Means are satisfied that he has been making money in the lobby. He would serve very well as a "awful example." That he was engaged in very dirty business for a Federal Judge cannot be denied, nor is his record entirely clear with reference to his connection with the Union Pacific as a Government Director. Let his official head be cut off very short, if he is found guilty. If lobbyists cannot be driven out of Washington, they can at least be driven off from the United States bench.—*Buffalo Commercial Advertiser*.

TEMPERANCE.

Meeting of the State Association at Springfield.

Special Dispatch to The Chicago Tribune.

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., Feb. 25.—The State Temperance Association met to-day in this city at the office of the Secretary of State. It was numerously attended by representative men from various parts of the State. The topic of discussion was the present Temperance law, the reports concerning the operation of which seemed to be of the most flattering character. The verdict was that much good had been accomplished by it, and, if continued in operation, as they hoped it would be, it would almost effectually cure many of the worst phases of the liquor traffic. With the suggestion of a few trifling amendments, the law was indorsed by the Association.

At the evening session the following resolutions were passed:

> We, the friends of temperance in convention assembled, at Springfield, Feb. 25, 1873, hereby express our firm conviction of the needs of united and harmonious action on the part of all who desire to see our present law regulating the sale of liquor inforced, and the full fruits thereof secured to the blessing of the unfortunate inebriate of to-day and the generations yet to be. We are also convinced that the principles of total abstinence and entire prohibition are the only ultimate basis to which we must, as a true and loyal people, aspire, and we reaffirm our fidelity to justice and humanity. Recognizing the effective labor and glorious achievements of the various temperance organizations of our State, we hereby extend to them our hearty co-operation in carrying out the objects of the State Temperance Union organization of this date. Adopted.

The Constitution provides the name of the organization as the Illinois State Temperance Union. The officers are to be a President and Vice President for each Congressional District, Secretary, Treasurer, Executive Committee of Five, and a State Organizer. The officers are: Dr. Fowler, of Chicago, President; Vice-Presidents—First District, J. L. Drake, Chicago; Second District, Rev. M. M. Parkhurst; Third District, L. F. Slocum, Lake County; Fourth District, J. Lane, Rockford; Fifth District, W. Snyder, of Whiteside County; Sixth District, W. H. Jordan, of Princeton; Seventh District, Hon. W. Reddick, of LaSalle; Eighth District, B. C. Cole, of Kankakee; Ninth District, Rev. J. G. Evans, of Knox; Eleventh District, Dr. R. McCormick, of Adams; Twelfth District, Maj. W. B. Little, of Christian; Thirteenth District, John McGowen, of McLean; Fourteenth District, John Hyde, of Coles; Fifteenth District, J. W. Henry, of Shelby; Sixteenth District, J. F. Douglass, of Fayette; Eighteenth District, B. G. Root. The Tenth, Seventeenth, and Nineteenth Districts were left blank. Secretary, F. D. Dalton; Treasurer, Capt. S. P. Mooney, of Chicago; State Organizer, J. L. Seward; Executive Committee, Hon. G. L. Taylor, LaSalle County; Rev. W. H. Smith, LaSalle County; James Roberts, of Carbondale.

The appointments of officers were confirmed by the Convention.

All persons over 15 years of age can become members of the Association by signing the constitution and upon the payment of 25 cents as a membership fee. The Association will hold its next meeting on the 3d of May next at Pana, and one delegate will be allowed to every twenty-five members.

THE WEATHER.

War Department Prognostications.

CHICAGO, Feb. 25.—The Signal Service reports more moderate and generally cloudy weather this morning all over the country. San Francisco, 48 degrees above; Corinne, Utah, 28 above; Cheyenne, 17 above; Omaha, 10 above; Pembina, 10 above; Breckinridge, 8 above; Duluth, 21 above; St. Paul, 6 above; Marquette, 28 above; Davenport, 7 above; St. Louis, 22 above; Chicago, 13 above; Detroit, 12 above; Toronto, 15 above; Quebec, 23 above; Boston, 26 above; New York, 27 above; Washington, 19 above; Charleston, S. C., 57 above; Jacksonville, Fla., 44 above; Havana, Cuba, 67 above; New Orleans, 58 above; Memphis, 31 above; Nashville and Louisville, 27 above; Cincinnati, 22 above; Pittsburgh, 13 above. Snowing in Northern Ohio, Western Pennsylvania, and Vermont. Raining in Northern Florida.

WORCESTER, Mass., Feb. 25.—All the railroads centering in this city have been badly blocked by snow.

Westerly winds will continue, with warm temperature and increasing cloudiness, over the New England and Middle States on Wednesday. Easterly winds, with rising temperature and cloudy weather, will prevail over the South Atlantic and Eastern Gulf States. Southerly and easterly winds, falling barometer, cloudy and rainy weather will prevail from the Western Gulf coast to Missouri. An area of low barometer will move eastward to Lower Missouri, accompanied by southeast and northeast winds. Cloudy weather and possibly snow from the Upper Lakes to the Missouri.

Forger Captured.

Special Dispatch to The Chicago Tribune.

QUINCY, Ill., Feb. 25.—A man named Orloff R. Westman was arrested here to-day, for forging an indorsement to a check for $4,000, purporting to be drawn by a prominent merchant of Denver, Col., some weeks ago. Payment was refused at the Denver Bank, and Westman fled to this city. He was committed to await a requisition.

Fatal Lamp Explosion.

Special Dispatch to The Chicago Tribune.

QUINCY, Ill., Feb. 25.—An old lady of 70, mother of J. C. Hearle, of this city, was fatally burned this evening by the explosion of a coal-oil lamp. She was fearfully injured about the face, neck, and arms.

STATE LEGISLATURES.

WISCONSIN.

Special Dispatch to The Chicago Tribune.

MADISON, Feb. 25.—In both Houses numerous petitions relative to the disposal of the land-grant and exemption of certain property from taxation, and remonstrances against the repeal of the Temperance law, were presented; also in the Assembly several petitions, one for the Milwaukee tan-yards; one for the repeal of the laws giving exclusive privileges to gas companies.

SENATE.

Several select committees were announced, among them Messrs. H. N. Davis, Blair, and Burchard on the Assembly resolution for final adjournment March 6.

Senator Cotzhausen, Chairman of the Select Committee on Exemption of Property from Taxation, made a report of some length on the subject, regarding which eighty petitions and remonstrances have been presented, reviewing the whole question, stating a belief that there was an exaggerated idea of the amount of property exempt from taxation on various grounds, conceding some propriety in exempting educational institutions, but holding that the present laws were liable to abuse, and a uniform system and rate of taxation should be adopted. The report recommends

THE STATE CAPITAL.

Partial Report of the Special Committee on Railroad Taxation.

The Difference Between Reports to the Commissioners and Those to the Stockholders.

How the Companies List Their Property in Different Counties.

The House at Work on the Municipal Tax Bill.

The West Side Park Bill Reported in the Senate.

Special Dispatch to The Chicago Tribune.

RAILROAD TAXES.

SPRINGFIELD, Feb. 25.—The Special Senate Committee—Castle, Cummings, and Nicolson—appointed to investigate the question of railroad taxes have not yet completed their work. They find that the report made to the Railroad Commissioners does not correspond with the report made to their stockholders in the cases of the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy. Take, for instance, the Chicago & Rock River Railroad, owned by the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy. In their report to the Railroad Commissioners they claim the cost of construction to be $36,000 per mile, and an addition of $3,000 for equipment; while, in their report to their stockholders, they show the road was built and equipped for a total of $720,000 for the forty-five miles, or at the rate of $16,000 per mile, including the equipment, fencing, depots, sidetracks, and water-stations. Of this amount the road has received in local aid and stock, as gifts, $257,150, reducing the cost to $462,850, or $10,288, while the gross earnings for the first six months have been $7,429.23. Comparing these two reports, we can judge how much confidence can be placed in the reports given to the public through the Commission. That report was evidently made to show how much the road cost and how little comparative profit they made; while the other is to show their stockholders how *cheaply* it was built and how *much* they are now receiving on the original expenditure. This Committee find many errors in the report to the Railroad Commissioners,—errors of $1,000,000 at times,—the report being, apparently a matter of no little importance as to be just as well wrong as right, proving the necessity of more careful consideration of their affairs. On the part of the State, for which the Railroad Commission have done much, there is more still to do. Again, it is found that the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy Railroad list their property at different rates in different counties. Take, for instance, LaSalle County, where the rate is $5,000 per mile on the main track and compare it with Kane, where it is listed at $3,000 per mile. It is found that LaSalle, with twenty-seven miles of track, has nearly three times as much value in the main track as Kane with fourteen miles. McDonough County had attempted to raise the railroad assessment, which had been successfully resisted until the railroad, neglecting to list one year, the county raised the assessment three times the original amount, when, to compromise, the railroad agreed upon $5,000 per mile. Now, the question arises, if the main track is worth $5,000 per mile in LaSalle and McDonough, why should it be but $3,000 in Kane, DeKalb, and others? The Committee are of the opinion that what we are generally in the habit of calling railroad matters, and neglecting the more practical issues of the contest. The report will probably be complete next week.

THE CURRENCY.

The following, introduced by Mr. Rountree, will be discussed in the House to-morrow:

WHEREAS, Under our present financial system, in most respects admirable, there does not exist that elasticity of the volume of national circulation which is essential to the proper settlement of the most economical conduct of the business of the country; and, whereas, at some seasons the volume of circulation is redundant, and at others deficient, causing such fluctuations in values as seriously embarrass legitimate business, at the same time that they stimulate merely speculative transactions; therefore,

Resolved, by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring herein, That our Senators in Congress be instructed, and our Representatives be requested, to urge, and if possible procure, such legislation as shall give to our national currency this most desirable and necessary flexibility;

Resolved, That such a degree of flexibility as is immediately required would, in the opinion of this General Assembly, be best attained by the following measures, to be provided by Congress before adjourning:

First—That the Secretary of the Treasury be required to hold in reserve legal-tender notes, to the amount of forty-four millions of dollars ($44,000,000), to be used for the purpose of making advances upon as security for the same, and the rate of interest at which such advances are made shall be the same that said bonds draw, nor shall the advances exceed in amount the face of said bonds.

Second—That, at any time, the withdrawer of legal-tender notes, so taken from the Treasury, may have the privilege of again returning them thereto, and of receiving his bonds therefor, less the interest accruing during such temporary deposit in the Treasury.

Third—That any holder of $10,000, or multiples thereof, in any of the gold-bearing bonds of the United States, may have the privilege of so depositing them, temporarily, as security for such advances in legal-tender notes at the Sub-Treasuries or designated depositories in New York, San Francisco, New Orleans, and Chicago, under proper regulations, to be made by the Secretary of the Treasury in accordance with the mode herein designated.

Fourth—It should be provided that the whole amount of legal-tender notes, of all descriptions which may be held in reserve, and those which may be issued in the United States Treasury, Sub-Treasury, or depositories, shall not exceed four hundred millions of dollars ($400,000,000), until otherwise expressly authorized by law.

For the purpose of more fully and clearly expressing the views and desires of this General Assembly, the following draft of a bill is appended:

A BILL for an act to give flexibility to the currency.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States, in Congress assembled*, That any holder of $10,000, or multiples thereof, in any of the gold-bearing bonds of the United States, may retire the same temporarily at the Sub-Treasuries or designated depositories in New York, San Francisco, New Orleans, or Chicago, under regulations to be made by the Secretary of the Treasury, and receive an amount of United States legal-tender notes equal to the face of said bonds temporarily retired; and upon presentation of a like sum in United States notes, at the place where said bonds were temporarily retired, may receive the said bonds, or their equivalent in kind, at the time that the said bonds were temporarily retired, the converter or owner of bonds, as aforesaid, to adjust by payment in gold the value of the current interest at the time of conversion, and withdrawal, whether the same be represented by coupons or otherwise, as may be provided by regulations established by the Secretary of the Treasury: *And provided, further*, that the Secretary of the Treasury be required to hold in reserve United States legal-tender notes, to the amount of forty-four millions of dollars ($44,000,000), to be used for the purpose of temporarily retiring United States bonds as aforesaid; but the said notes shall not be used for any other purpose, nor shall the whole amount of United States legal-tender notes, including those which may be held in reserve, and those which may at any time be held in the United States Treasury, Sub-Treasuries, and depositories, exceed four hundred millions of dollars ($400,000,000), until expressly authorized by law.

PERSONAL.

Judge Van Higgins, Robert Hervey, and Chas. S. Lodding arrived from Chicago this morning.

RAILROAD COMMISSIONERS.

The fight over the Railroad and Warehouse Commissioners will probably be renewed to-morrow, when the Governor returns from the North. There are still all the candidates required. It has been suggested that a grand plowing match be held on the prairie, near this city, the candidates to compete, the three coming out ahead to be the new Board. This is the only way to get a purely agricultural Board. The session of the Supreme Court has diverted the attention of the farmers for the time being, but the ball will open again in a day or two. Three new candidates have appeared, in the shape of Mr. Metcalf, from the South, John L. Pearson, from Madison, and Seth Crews, from Palmer, Sangamon is hardly mentioned. Palmer, Crews, Wilcox, and Strong will not vote for any Commissioners without him. McGrath's propensity for mischief and love of a row will impel him to join them, though his constituents have no direct interest in the matter.

The Senate Railroad Committee this afternoon discussed the Supreme Court decision, without advising the Court, and it was determined that the members should read the opinion very carefully, each for himself, and discover what amendment was necessary. The decision is regarded by the farmers as a triumph, and indicating that they are on the right road. The indiscriminate howling against railroads and courts has ceased for the time being. The Senate ordered 3,000 copies of the decision to be printed.

THE WEST SIDE PARK BILL

was reported by the Senate Judiciary Committee, with a recommendation that it pass. It returned from the Committee in the virgin purity with which it came from Chicago, unamended, unaltered, untouched. The most trying period of the voyage is yet to come.

DIVORCES.

Senator Casey wants to regulate divorces so that they shall not be absolute except for adultery. He provides in a bill that other irregularities may be atoned by divorce "a mensa et thoro."

THE MAYOR'S BILL.

The Senate Municipal Committee have determined to report back a substitute for Kehoe's bill repealing the Mayor's bill, which will be simply an abortion. If the Mayor cannot remove inefficient or corrupt officials without the consent of the Council, they will generally remain in office longer than the Mayor. The Cook County delegation will meet to-morrow, weather permitting. No good need be anticipated from their gathering. Perhaps police matters will be considered.

SICK.

Mr. Oleson, of Chicago, has gone home sick. Efner, of Whiteside, is in a bad condition, and Senator Henry no better. If this Assembly does not hurry up business and adjourn, half of them will be punished by death or permanent disease.

CITY TAX BILL.

House bill No. 300, relative to the assessment and collection of municipal taxes, came up in the House this morning. Mr. Shumway moved an amendment to exclude cities under 10,000 population from the operation of the bill. Mr. Rountree had considerable doubt as to the constitutionality of the amendment under the recent decision of the Supreme Court, not having had time to examine the full bearings of that decision; therefore,

Mr. Armstrong, of Grundy, moved to reconsider the bill.

Mr. Connolly desired to offer an amendment in regard to the manner of assessing railroad tracks and other property, which he thought proposed to do a great injustice to small towns and cities in the State. The provision would give Chicago an advantage fifty times greater in assessing railroad companies, who ran their trains by contract, over track-beds leased from other lines, to other cities and counties in the central and other portions of the State. Mr. Rountree defended the bill as presented. The object of the bill was to put every railroad company running their rolling stock into the city upon an equal footing as to the proportion of taxes assessed upon their rolling stock, and was not designed to perpetrate injustice upon any city or county. Chicago could derive no more than her just rights under this bill, without any detriment to others. Amendment was lost.

Mr. Armstrong, of Grundy, renewed his motion to recommit.

Mr. Bradwell supported the motion. Mr. Rountree opposed the motion, as the Committee had already passed upon it unanimously.

Mr. Sloan supported the same views. The motion to recommit was lost. Mr. Shaw moved that the House go into Committee of the Whole to consider the bill section by section, and it was so ordered.

The consideration of the bill lasted all day, and it was ordered to a third reading. There is a probability that, as amended, it will pass, although many of its warmest friends were opposed to the election of the City Assessor, but an attempt by Mr. Wicker to reconsider the vote by which the Assessor is made elective was met by a decided negative. It is doubtful if the bill will pass with the emergency clause. In that case, unless the Senate amend it, the city will have no officers authorized to make assessments until after the November election. Section 1 was amended so that a vote of two-thirds instead of a majority of the Aldermen elected is required to legalize the assessment of any tax. Sec. 2. requires the Assessor to be elected by the people the same as the Collector. That portion of Sec. 8, relating to the assessment for personal property of railroads was amended so as to strike out the words "or by contract or arrangement with any other railway company or corporation," leaving the clause intact so far as refers to cars or trains passing over a track or road-bed leased from any other company or corporation. A limitation to the annual levy of 3 per cent on assessed valuation was adopted. In cases of appeal from the judgment of the County Court, the party shall give bonds, to be approved by the Court, in double the amount of the judgment, and the Supreme Court, in affirming the judgment of the lower court, shall add a penalty of 20 per cent as damages.

LEGISLATIVE PROCEEDINGS.

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., Feb. 25.

SENATE.

Senator Reynolds in the chair.

On motion of Senator PALMER, the reading of the minutes were dispensed with.

RESOLUTION.

By consent, Senator SHEPARD introduced a resolution ordering 3,000 copies of the decision of the Supreme Court in the case of the Railway Commissioners *vs.* Chicago & Alton Railroad. Adopted.

PETITIONS.

Senators SHEPARD and PALMER laid before the House petitions for their respective localities, in reference to the Temperance law, protesting against its repeal. Referred.

Sundry other petitions were presented and referred.

SENATE BILLS ON A SECOND READING.

The following bills were considered by sections, and ordered to a third reading:

Bill 194, to amend the law to incorporate and govern fire, marine, and inland navigation insurance companies doing business in this State.

Bill 195, to compel the Trustees of the Illinois Central Railroad Company to execute their trust. On motion of Senator YORK, the vote by which it was ordered to a third reading, was reconsidered. After considerable discussion, the bill was ordered engrossed and to a third reading.

Bill 125, to prevent the obstruction of creeks or other water courses. After considerable discussion, recommitted to the Committee.

APPOINTMENTS BY THE GOVERNOR.

The Governor submitted the following appointments, by message, to the Senate, asking their concurrence: State Board of Public Charities, J. C. Corbus, of LaSalle County, in place of Elmer Baldwin, resigned. Board of Education, William H. Green, Alexander County; Calvin Goudy, Christian County; Thomas R. Leal, Lawrence County; Enoch A. Gastman, Morgan County; Trustees of Soldiers' Orphans' Home, James Weardsley, Rock Island County; John Sweeney, Weardsley, Rock Island County; successors, and George Courtney, to their own County, to succeed D. D. Evans, resigned.

NEW BILLS.

By leave of the Senate, the following bills were introduced and referred:

By Mr. CASEY—To amend Chapter 33, Revised Statutes 1845, entitled "Divorces."

By Mr. WAITE—In relation to lots of land in cities and towns.

By Mr. HINCHCLIFFE—In relation to the Supreme Court.

By Mr. CANFIELD—In regard to evidence and depositions.

By Mr. CASEY—To change the time of holding court in the Southern and Northern Divisions of the Supreme Court.

By Mr. DOW—In regard to practice in courts of record.

By Mr. BURKE—In relation to records.

By Mr. CANFIELD—In regard to accounts.

By Mr. SHEPARD—To provide for the ordinary and contingent expenses of the State Government.

By Mr. THOMPSON—To provide for the collection of taxes in certain cases.

COMMITTEE REPORTS.

The Committee on the Judiciary reported back Senate bill 210, with a substitute. The bill was to provide for the revision and publication of such reports of the Supreme Court as are out of print. Also Senate bill 89, recommending its passage.

The Committee on Municipalities reported a substitute for bill 191, to enable corporate authorities of cities and towns to fix the salaries of their officers.

OTHER BILLS ON A SECOND READING.

The substitute for Senate bill 10, concerning County Superintendents of Schools. Pending discussion, the Senate adjourned.

HOUSE.

BILLS ON A SECOND READING.

House bill, No. 80, in relation to branch courts in Cook County was read a second time and ordered engrossed for a third reading.

House bill 300, in relation to municipal taxation, was read a second time.

Mr. LIETZE offered an amendment making the provisions of the bill apply only to cities of 10,000 or more inhabitants. Lost—yeas, 29; nays, 58.

Mr. ROUNTREE offered an amendment striking out the words "and one collector" from the second section. Adopted.

Mr. ARMSTRONG (Grundy) moved to recommit the bill. The motion was withdrawn.

Mr. CONNOLLY offered an amendment striking out the provision including for taxation the rolling stock of all railroad companies running cars or trains into such cities by lessee of track or road-bed. Lost—yeas, 48; nays, 52.

Mr. ARMSTRONG renewed his motion to recommit. Lost.

Mr. SHAW moved that the bill be considered as in Committee of the Whole, section by section. Carried.

Mr. DUNHAM moved to reconsider the vote by which Mr. Connolly's amendment was lost. Carried.

The bill was then considered section by section.

Mr. MOFFITT offered an amendment providing that no tax shall be levied for permanent improvements, except by vote of two-thirds of all the Aldermen elected. Adopted.

Mr. CONNOLLY offered an amendment providing for the election of City Assessors. Adopted.

The amendment previously offered by Mr. Connolly in relation to taxing rolling stock of railroads was considered in connection with Section 3, and adopted.

Adjourned till 2:30 p. m.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Committee on Printing submitted a proposed new rule in relation to the distribution of bills. Laid over.

MUNICIPAL TAXTION.

The consideration of the Municipal Tax bill was resumed. An amendment was adopted providing that the aggregate amount of taxes levied shall not exceed 3 per cent of the of the assessed valuation of the taxable property of cities.

Mr. CARPENTER offered an amendment requiring City Clerks, in making out the lists, to state the specific purposes for which the assessment is made, computing the amount separately. Lost.

Mr. ORENDORFF moved to strike out Sec. 15, as in conflict with the Constitution. Lost.

Mr. ROUNTREE offered an amendment, making a distinction between general taxes and special assessment in cases of appeal.

Mr. BRADWELL offered a substitute providing that, in cases of appeal, judgment may be rendered for 10 per cent damages, in addition to taxes, interest, and costs.

An amendment was adopted striking out 10 and inserting 20 per cent damages, and the substitute was adopted.

Various other amendments were adopted, and the bill was ordered to a third reading.

Adjourned.

WALL STREET.

Review of the Money, Gold, Stock, and Produce Markets.

Special Dispatch to The Chicago Tribune.

MONEY.

NEW YORK, Feb. 25.—Money dearer than yesterday, ranging from 1-32 to ⅛. Mercantile paper dull at 8@12. London money market easy at 2¾@2¾, with securities a shade higher. It is estimated that by the aid of borrowed sterling and other means of obtaining credits on the other side, not far from $75,000,000 have been transferred to this side and is now employed in carrying stocks.

THE STOCK MARKET

is dull, closing weak and lower. It is announced that a controlling interest in the Cleveland, Columbus, Cincinnati & Indianapolis Railroad Company has been secured by people who control the Erie Railway, and own the Atlantic & Great Western. These companies obtain by the C., C., C. & I. a route to St. Louis over the Indianapolis & Terre Haute and the Terre Haute & Alton Roads, jointly under the control of the C., C., C. & I. The Erie and Atlantic & Great Western also obtain an independent line to Cincinnati by way of Columbus and Springfield, Ohio. In addition, valuable privileges will be secured at Cleveland. The present share capital of the C., C., C. & I. is $15,000,000, and its bonded debt about $3,000,000, or about $7,000 per mile. Close relations have existed between the C., C., C. & I. and the Lake Shore & Michigan Southern, and it remains to be determined how far these will be disturbed. In regard to the impression that the Canada Southern Road will divert traffic from the Lake Shore road, it is stated on the best authority that there is plenty of business for both roads,—in fact, as much as both can do. The Canada Southern will not be open for business until the frost is out of the ground.

GOLD

dull at opening at 114¾ to 114¾, but afterwards became more active, and advanced to 114¾ on private telegrams from Washington stating that only $50,000,000 of the 5-20s will be called in March 1.

FOREIGN EXCHANGES

weak. One German banker drew £200,000 sterling against some bond transaction.

GOVERNMENTS

dull and changes unimportant. The Syndicate people here deny Washington dispatches to the effect that the Syndicate is to be or has been reorganized. The Syndicate have made application to the Treasury Department for permission to return 5-20 bonds other than 62s for the new fives. The *Bulletin* says: "It is the opinion expressed in well-informed circles that the Judiciary Committee of the House will decide that the Treasury has authority to issue legal-tenders to the $400,000,000. If this is true, an extra issue may be looked for so soon as Mr. Richardson becomes Secretary.

BREADSTUFFS.

Flour closes lower for most grades, with a fair demand at the concession. Wheat dull and unsettled under news from Liverpool. Dealers continue apart in their views.

PROVISIONS.

Pork quiet but firm. Sales 500 brls new mess, for June, at $16.20, and 500 brls for May at $15.10. Cut meats in good demand for dry salted shoulders, which sold to the extent of 1,000 boxes for March at 6c. Quoted on the spot at 5c. Pickled hams at 10¾@11c. Prices firm. Bacon steady; sales 500 boxes short clear on the spot at 8c; long clear quoted at 7¾@7¾c. Lard dull but steady; Western quoted on the spot at 8¾@8¾c; city 40 lbs prime at 8¾c. For future delivery, 250 tcs for April at 8¾c, and 250 tcs do at 8 11-16c.

LOUISIANA.

The President's Message to Congress on the Condition of Affairs in Louisiana.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 25.—The President sent the following message to Congress to-day:

EXECUTIVE MANSION,
WASHINGTON, Feb. 25.

To the Senate and House of Representatives:

Your attention is respectfully invited to the condition of affairs in the State of Louisiana. Grave complications have grown out of the election there on the 6th of November last, chiefly attributable, it is believed, to an organized attempt on the part of those controlling the election of officers and returns to defeat in that election the will of a majority of electors of the State. Different persons are claiming to be the officers. Two bodies are claiming to be the Legislative Assembly of the State, and the confusion with parasitainty produced in this way fall controversy as affect upon all its interests. A controversy as affect upon all its interests. A curred over its procedure as the election occurred over its procedure as the election occurred over its procedure as the election occur

MONEY AND COMMERCE.

MONETARY.

TUESDAY EVENING, Feb. 25.

The tendency in the local money-market is still toward an easier condition. The speculative demand for money to carry grain is still active, but the supply of money is increasing faster than it was.

The movement of currency toward the country is dimishing rapidly. Exchange is in abundant supply, and sold between banks to-day at 81 to 80c per $1,000 discount.

EXCHANGING 1881s FOR 5 PER CENTS.

There are some indications that the new 5 per cent bonds are being regarded more favorably by the National Banks as a basis of security for circulation. A number of the banks here and in other cities figure out a clear profit in favor of exchanging 1881s (though we do not see it) for the new 5 per cents. Taking the sum of $100,000 as an example, they calculate as follows: The 1881s will be redeemed at par in gold at the end of eight years, and the net result of holding them until that time would be, at simple interest:

$100,000 bonds redeemed	$100,000
Interest eight years at 6 per cent	48,000
	$148,000
Deduct present cost of the 1881s at 118	118,000
	$ 30,000

The fact that the new 5 per cents cannot be called in or redeemed until after all the other gold bonds of the United States, amounting to $1,556,000,000, have been redeemed first, insures that investments in the new 5 per cents cannot be disturbed for a great many more than eight years; but, taking the period of eight years for an example, they calculate as follows:

$100,000 new 5s will sell at the end of eight years for gold	$100,000
Interest for eight years at 5 per cent	40,000
	$140,000
Deduct present cost of bonds at, say, 114	114,000
	$ 26,000

The above shows a difference of $4,000 in favor of the 1881s, but as there was $4,000 less of an investment in the 5 per cents to start with, it is fair to deduct interest on $4,000 for eight years from this difference. Say, at 8 per cent, the interest on this $4,000 would be $2,460, which deducted from the $4,000 would leave a difference of only $1,580 in favor of 1881s. Perhaps we shall make this a little plainer by putting the whole on a gold basis, and saying that the $100,000 of 1881s cost $103,840 in gold, to start with. At the end of eight years the investor has got back $148,000, or $44,160 besides his principal, and has thus received 42.40 per cent of total interest, while the $100,000 of new 5 per cents cost, say, $100,000 in gold, but at the end of eight years they are worth par in gold, and he has received back 40 per cent in total interest. At present prices there is a difference of from $1,000 to $2,000 in favor of the 1881s, but at 98 in gold for the new 5 per cents they will pay the same interest to keep eight years as the 1881s.

ST. LOUIS VS. CHICAGO.

A circular, compiled by the Manager of the St. Louis Clearing House is being sent to all the banks in the West, showing that the aggregate capital and surplus of forty-one banks in the clearing-house, and seventeen banks not in the clearing-house, is $20,196,098, and that the aggregate deposits of these fifty-eight banks is $36,869,956. What the object of this circular is does not appear, though it is to be presumed it is simply to show the financial importance of that city in the trade of the West.

Comparing this with the statistics of "Banking in Chicago" which appeared in the *Lakeside Monthly* for February, we find that while St. Louis is a little ahead of Chicago in point of bank capital, she is considerably behind in point of deposits, which are in fact a much more correct index of business importance. The aggregate capital of the fifty-one banks of Chicago (exclusive of the Branch of the Bank of Montreal) is $17,000,000, and their aggregate deposits are $41,000,000. The available cash means of our merchants is at least equal to those of St. Louis, while the amount of country bank deposits kept in Chicago is three times as great as in St. Louis. Chicago has, in fact, a larger amount of country bank deposits than any of the other cities of the United States, excepting only New York and Boston. This fact alone indicates Chicago as the greatest currency distributing point west of New York, her financial importance in that respect being considerably greater than St. Louis and Cincinnati put together. We see by several recent articles in the St. Louis papers that St. Louis still keeps up the trick of adding the *debits to the credits* in the official report of the aggregate amount of bank clearings in that city. After thus making them to appear to be exactly double the real amounts, they are printed in the St. Louis papers in connection with the clearings in Chicago, which are given at their true amount, which includes nothing but the *credits* to each of the banks members of the clearing-house. Thus, in a St. Louis paper, other bank clearings of Chicago for the week ending Feb. 8 are set down at $22,554,112, which is their true amount, and includes nothing but *credits, while* the bank clearings of St. Louis for the week ending Feb. 8 are set down by the St. Louis paper at $23,756,048, which is the aggregate of credits added to the debits, and just double the true amount, which was only $11,878,024. This attempt at deception bears the same stamp of dishonesty as the "small-pox" issued from St. Louis some time ago.

LOCAL STOCK AND BOND MARKET.

Messrs. Lunt, Preston & Kean quote as follows this afternoon:

	Buying.	Selling.
5-20s of '62	115½	115¾
5-20s of '64	115¾	115¾
5-20s of '65	115¾	116
5-20s of '65, Jan. and July	114¾	114¾
5-20s of '67, Jan. and July	116¼	116½
5-20s of '68, Jan. and July	116	116¼
10-40s, Coupon	114	114¾
U. S. 5s (New Issue), ex int	113¾	114¼
Northern Pacific Gold 7-30s	100	Int.
Chicago City 7s	99¼	Int.
Cook County 7s	99¼	Int.
Illinois, County and Township 10s	95	@97¼
Eastern Exchange	1-10 dis.	par-1-10pr
Sterling Exchange (large drafts)	109¼	-110¼
Gold Exchange	114¼	
Gold and Gold Coupons	113¾	114¼

REAL ESTATE.

The following instruments were filed for record on Tuesday, Feb. 25:

CITY PROPERTY.

Evans et, e of and near Paulina st, n f, Lot 25, dated Feb. 20; consideration, $800.

Twenty-fourth st, bet Hanover st and Stewart av, s f, 82x125 ft, dated Feb. 24; consideration, $1,100.

North Wood st, n of and near Bloomingdale Road, e f, 24x125 ft, dated July 22, 1872; consideration, $625.

West Indiana st, bet Robey and Lincoln sts, n f, 28x 93½ ft, dated Feb. 25; consideration, $2,200.

Deshbell st, bet Thirty-eighth and Thirty-ninth sts, e f, 48 ft to alley, dated Feb. 6; consideration, $1,300.

Blue Island av, n of and near Evans st, s e f, 24 ft to alley, dated Jan. 4; consideration, $2,500.

Lot 48, in Block 15, Elston's Addition, dated Jan. 6; consideration, $750.

Lot 47, in same, dated Jan. 6; consideration, $750.

Leavitt st, bet Fowler and Evergreen st, w f, Lot 22, dated Feb. 25; consideration, $650.

Quincy st, s of Wrong st, e f, 25 ft to alley, dated Feb. 2; consideration, $625.

Dania av, 198 ft s of Thompson st, e f, 25x126 ft, dated Feb. 25; consideration, $450.

Hamlet st, 85 ft n of Lee av, n w f, 26x79 ft, dated Oct. 14, 1872; consideration, $950.

Quinn av, near Robey st, n w f, 60 ft to alley, dated Feb. 3; consideration, $2,800.

Wentworth av, s of and near Twenty-fifth st, w f, Lot 2 dated Oct. 24, 1873; consideration, $15,000—see 25 and Leavitt st, bet Fowler and Le Moyne.

dated Feb. 14; consideration, $4,043.

Lots 1, 4, 5, and 6 of Lot 4, in Block 36, Sec 29, 39, 14, dated Feb. 18; consideration, $3,800.

Dakoven st, n w cor of Clinton st, Lot 8, with improvements, dated Feb 25; consideration, $18,000.

The premises No. 684 Michigan av, dated Feb. 24; consideration, $27,915.

Lots 3 and 4 in Lombard's Addition of Lot 13, in block 1 of Hamilton's n w ¼ of Sec 18, 39, 14, dated Feb 7; consideration, $8,333.

Lots 1 and 2, in same, dated Feb. 7; consideration, $333.

Lowe av, e of and near Thirty-seventh st, w f, 24 ft to alley, dated Feb. 7; consideration, $625.

The premises No. 96 Walnut st, dated Dec. 17, 1872; consideration, $2,600.

Lot 49 of Lots 1 and 4, of Block 23, Sec 20, 39, 14, dated Feb. 14; consideration, $700.

The premises No. 1115 Indiana av, dated Feb. 20; consideration, $16,000.

The premises No. 1119 Indiana av, dated Feb. 20; consideration, $20,000.

Park av, bet Kinzey and Lincoln sts, n f, 25 ft to alley, dated Feb. 25; consideration, $1,700.

The premises No. 634 Wentworth av, dated Feb. 17; consideration, $6,000.

Lots 7 and 8, in Block 4 of e ¼ Block 15, Sheffield's addition, dated Feb. 25; consideration, $1,200.

Block 1, in Goodwin's n w ¼ of n e ¼ Sec 28, 39, 13, dated Jan. 10; consideration, $20,000.

Lot 68, in Block 23, Sheffield's Addition, dated Jan. 1; consideration, $400.

Lot 66, in same, dated Feb. 1; consideration, $400.

S ½ of Lot 7, in Block 76, Elston's Addition, dated Sept. 1, 1872; consideration, $750.

N ½ of Lot 5, in Block 34, same, dated Jan. 1; consideration, $500.

Lots 30 and 37, in Block 23, same, dated Jan. 1; consideration, $2,800.

Walnut st, bet Leavitt and Hoyne sts, Lot 50, dated Jan. 15; consideration, $1,850.

NORTH OF CITY LIMITS.

Lots 15 and 16, in Block 3, of Gubrke et al, Lot 1, of e ½ Sec 29,40, 14, dated Jan. 28; consideration, $3,000.

SOUTH OF CITY LIMITS.

Lots 77 to 80, in Hinkley's n w ¼ of s e ¼ Sec 8, 38, 14, dated Feb. 20; consideration, $1,000.

Lots 20 and 22, in Block 1, of Shimp's part of w ½ s w ¼ Sec 3, 38, 14, dated Nov. 26, 1872; consideration, $3,380.

Lots 4, 5 and 8, in Block 3, in Hundley's Sub, s w ¼ of Sec 10, 38, 14, dated Feb. 14; consideration, $3,750.

W ½ of Lot 8, in Rosenmerkel's, Lot 31 in Sec 16, 38, 14, dated Feb. 17; consideration, $800.

E ½ of Lot 8, in same, dated Feb. 17; consideration, $800.

COMMERCIAL.

TUESDAY EVENING, Feb. 25.

The following were the receipts and shipments of the leading articles of produce in Chicago during the past twenty-four hours, and for the corresponding date one year ago:

	RECEIPTS.		SHIPMENTS.	
	1873.	1872.	1873.	1872.
Flour, bbls	5,325	4,520	3,978	2,343
Wheat, bu	29,830	3,155	12,483	24,017
Corn, bu	91,896	20,632	8,018	25,136
Oats, bu	33,290	9,915	17,088	7,849
Rye, bu	745	1,130	768	
Barley, bu	12,935	5,330	7,212	9,467
Grass seed, lbs	107,990	176,000	94,559	71,987
Flax seed, lbs	9,200		24,000	
Broom corn, lbs	46,000	1,450	23,530	10,749
Cured meats, lbs	266,850	170,150	1792,887	850,057
Beef, bbls		65	290	65
Pork, bbls	267	678	1,304	
Lard, lbs	334,259	146,545	1446,834	667,187
Tallow, lbs	29,357	12,540	16,500	
Butter, lbs	38,970	26,345	8,870	
Dressed hogs, No	1,373	2,161	1,463	1,682
Live hogs, No	8,323	4,078	5,803	3,214
Cattle, No	2,404	2,573	1,706	1,713
Sheep, No	2,601	1,129	1,118	691
Hides, lbs	185,525	167,772	143,138	103,380
Highwines, brls	335	243	65	185
Wool, lbs	10,603	9,700	29,420	
Potatoes, bu	3,853	1,711		
Lumber, M feet	396	1,533	751	469
Shingles, M	488	1,560	716	990
Lath, M	80	80	65	30
Salt, brls	430	970	435	507

Withdrawn from store on Friday and Saturday for city consumption: 8,401 bu wheat; 5,510 bu corn; 3,147 bu oats, 1,715 bu rye; 3,832 bu barley.

The following grain has been inspected into store this morning up to 10 o'clock: 92 cars wheat; 187 cars corn; 18 cars oats; 5 cars rye; 21 cars barley. Total, 323 cars, or 127,000 bu.

The general features of the leading produce markets were the same to-day as yesterday; breadstuffs tending downward, while hogs and hog products were stronger. There was not much activity on the floor. Our receipts of grain were less, and the reported shipments a little larger than usual, but the figures given below show that our stocks in store are large, and rapidly increasing, making the carrying of property a matter of some difficulty, even at present low prices.

The grocery market was reported fairly active, with prices firm and without decided change. Some grades of refined sugars are scarce, but otherwise stocks are in good working order, and the general market seems to be in a satisfactory condition. In the dry goods market, a liberal business was transacted. The attendance of buyers from points near and remote was large for the season, and the interior of our leading dry goods houses presented an animated appearance. Prices were again firm all around, while for some brands of bleached and brown cottons quotations were advanced a ¼c. Butter remains firm, under a continued good inquiry, at 14@24c for common to good, and at 25@29c for choice. The bagging trade was fairly active, save for burlaps and wool sacks, the latter of which were dull and a ½c lower. The canned goods trade was more active. Cheese was firm at yesterday's advance. Coal was in light request, without change in prices. In the hide market a satisfactory business was done, and prices were again strong. Whitefish and trout were marked up 25c per ½ brl, or to $6.50@7.00 for the former, and to $5.50@5.75 for the latter, with which exception the quotations of yesterday were unchanged. Dried fruits were in demand, with no change in prices save for prunes and dates, which were "off" a ½c per lb. Hay, hides, and leather underwent no material change. Pig iron was quoted active and stronger. Scotch advancing $2.00 per ton, or to $62.00@67.00. Quotations of tobacco, rags and metals, and wood were unchanged.

The demand for lumber continues moderate; prices were without material change. Trade in iron, tin, copper, and nails is steadily increasing, and nearly all articles are firm at quotations. Building materials are quiet; country brick of good quality are quoted at $12.00. Lime, cement, &c., were unchanged. Cooperage was quiet; packers' goods are in moderate request only. Wool was dull and unsettled. The broom corn market is unchanged; the movement is confined mainly to the better grades. Hops were dull. Timothy seed was less active than on yesterday, and scarcely so firm; quotable at $3.00@3.40 for common to choice. Clover was dull and weak at about yesterday's prices. Potatoes were in fair request and steady. There was a good inquiry for poultry, and choice lots were in light supply and firm. Eggs were easier, owing to liberal receipts. Green fruits were in fair local demand.

Lake freights were firm, and more active. A total of five charters was reported, to take out corn by sail to Buffalo at 12½c per bu. Some of these were rechariers, so that the volume of freight room taken thus far was not much increased. The market closed at 12½c bid and 13c asked on corn.

Highwines were quiet and steady, in sympathy with New York; with few offerings, and not much demand. Sales were reported of 100 brls at 87c per gallon.

Dressed hogs were less active, owing to a light supply; but in good demand at an advance of 5c per 100 lbs, and closed strong at the outside prices of the session. Heavy sold at $5.30@5.35, and light at $5.40@5.45. Sales were reported of 40 head at $5.45; 593 at $5.40; 42 at $5.35; 260 at $5.30; 72, dividing on 200 lbs, at $5.35@5.40. Total, 1,007 head.

Provisions were active in a speculative way, but with very little demand for cash product, and the main body of the option transactions were in settlement. Prices were irregular. Mess pork was strong at 20c per brl advance, while lard was steady at yesterday's prices, and meats were a shade easier, there being more anxiety to sell at quotations. The recent marked advance in pork will probably cause a demand for our stock of old pork, which is understood to be still large, and all city brands. We have not quoted this old pork recently, because it was not offered for sale; it would probably sell at a considerable discount from the price of new. The market closed at the following range of prices: Mess pork, cash or seller March, $13.30@13.35; do seller April, $13.65@13.70; do seller May, $13.90@14.00; prime mess, $12.00@12.25; extra prime, $9.75@10.00. Lard, cash, or seller March, $7.65; do seller April, $7.85; do seller May, $8.05@8.10. Green hams at 9¼@9¾c for 16-lb averages, and 8¾@8¾c for 18-lb averages. Sweet pickled hams 10@10½c above the price of green. Green shoulders, 4½c; do short ribs, 6¼c; do short clear, 6¾c. Dry salted meats quotable at 4¾@4¾c for shoulders; 6¼@6¾c for long clear; 6¾@6¾c for short ribs, and 6¾c for short clear. Boxed shoulders, 4¾c. English meats, 6¾@6¾c for Cumberlands; 6¾@7c for short ribs; 7@7¼c for short clear; 10@11c for long cut hams. Bacon quoted at 6¾c for shoulders, 9¾c@10c; ribs, 8c for short clear, sweet hams $28.00 hams, all packed; 7½@7¾c; grease quoted at 6@6¾c. Sales were reported of 500 brls mess pork seller March at $13.30; 250 brls do at $13.25; 850 brls do at $13.20; 500 brls do (last evening) at $13.15; 1,000 brls do seller April at $13.65; 500 brls do seller May (last evening) at $13.75; 80 brls clear pork at $13.50; 5,500 lbs lard seller March at $7.65; 600 tcs do seller April at $7.85; 100,000 lbs shoulders at $4.65; 30,000 the rough sides at 6¼c; 100 boxes long clear at $6.60¾; 60,000 lbs short clear at 6¾c; 100 boxes do at 7c; 500,000 lbs do at Sabula, seller April, at 7c; 40,000 lbs do short ribs at 6¾c; 150 tcs sweet pickled hams (16 lbs) at 11c; 200 tcs do (20 lbs) at 9¼c; 42 tcs white grease at 6¾c; 10 tcs yellow do at 5¼c.

Flour was quiet, the buying being chiefly done by local retailers; as the continued weakness in wheat has caused shippers to withdraw—especially as holders are not disposed to make concessions in prices. Stocks are still light, and offerings small—hence the absence of weakness. Bran was steady. Sales were reported of 50 brls white winters at $9.50; 100 brls spring extras (Dexter) at $7.00; 100 brls do at $7.00; 50 brls at $6.62½; 100 brls do (Clipper) at $6.40; 600 brls on private terms; 25 brls rye at $4.00. Total, 1,025 brls. Also, 80 tons bran at $10.00 on track; 10 tons middlings at $13.00. The following were the closing quotations:

Fair to choice white winter extras	$ 8.00 @10.50
Red winter extras	7.00 @ 8.00
Good to choice spring extras	6.25 @ 7.25
Low to medium	5.25 @ 6.00
Good to fancy Minnesota	7.00 @ 8.25
Spring superfines	3.50 @ 5.00
Rye flour	4.63 @ 4.75
Buckwheat flour	6.50 @ 7.00
Bran	10.00 @10.25
Middlings	11.00 @15.00

Wheat was weak, averaging 1½@1¾c lower than yesterday, while the difference in prices of the two regular sessions was 2½c. New York and Liverpool were reported dull and lower; but the real reason of the decline of several days past is the fact that we have more grain in store than can be conveniently carried, and prospects that the stock will be much larger before the opening of navigation. Notwithstanding all that has been written about small supplies, and tremendous shortage, on the other side of the Atlantic prices are weak there; evidently the people of Europe do not anticipate any difficulty in obtaining food. There was very little demand here to-day, except that cargo lots of the speculative grade were freely taken by parties who were carrying against options, and that No. 3 spring was in fair shipping request. Seller March opened at $1.19, declined to $1.18¾, advanced to $1.19¾, fell to $1.19, rose to $1.19¾, and closed at $1.19¼. Seller April sold at $1.20¾@1.22, closing at $1.21¾. Seller the month or cash No. 2 spring sold at $1.18¾@1.19¼, closing at $1.19; and seller May sold at $1.26@1.27¾. No. 1 spring was inactive, none being offered. No. 3 spring closed steady at $1.06, and rejected do irregular at 90@94c, according to location. Cash sales were very reported of 17,200 bu No. 2 spring at $1.19¾; 5,000 bu do at $1.19¾; 88,200 bu do at $1.19; 15,000 bu do at $1.18¾; 5,600 bu No. 3 spring at $1.06¾; 18,400 bu do at $1.06; 2,000 bu rejected spring (Central) at 94c; 1,200 bu do at 90c. Total, 152,600 bu.

Corn was weak, declining ¾@¾c lower, but was moderately active at the lower range of prices, which was due to a reported drop in Liverpool and New York, and to sympathy with our local wheat market. The business done was largely in the way of settlements, with a moderate inquiry for the summer options, and purchases of cash corn to carry against them. Seller the month, seller March, or cash No. 2 sold at 31@31½c; seller April at 31½@31¾c; seller May at 35¾@36¼c; and seller June at 37¼@37¾c, all closing steady at the inside. Cash sales were reported of 6,000 bu No. 2 at 31½c; 136,800 bu do at 31c; 9,600 bu rejected at 27c. Total, 152,400 bu.

Oats were dull and ¼c lower, owing to reported heaviness in New York, and sympathy with the local weakness in wheat and corn. Seller the month, or cash No. 2, sold at 25¾@25¾c, seller March at 25¾@26c, seller April at 26¼@26¾c, and seller May at 29¾@29¾c, all closing tame. Cash sales were reported of 9,600 bu No. 2 at 25¾c; 4,800 bu do at 25¾c; 2,400 bu rejected (A., D. & Co.) at 32½c; 3,600 bu do at 32½c; 600 bu by sample at 33c dlvd; 1,200 bu do at 32½c on track; 600 bu do at 27½c. Total, 21,600 bu.

Rye was dull, and 1@1½c lower. There was not much offering, but shipping orders are understood to have been either filled or withdrawn, hence weakness. Cash sales were reported of 400 bu No. 2 at 64c; 400 bu do at 63½c; and 1,600 bu do at 63c. Total, 2,400 bu. The market closed at 63c.

Barley was in moderate demand, and irregular, as usual. Regular No. 2, or seller March, was dull at 70c, and closed nominally at 69¾@70c. Car lots of No. 2, in named houses, sold at 70@73c, Armour, Dole & Co.'s and others' first receipts having the preference. No. 3 sold at 55@64c; receipts in ordinary houses selling at 58@60c. Rejected unchanged. Cash sales were reported of 400 bu No. 2 (Central) at 73c; 800 bu do (A., D. & Co.) at 72½c; 1,200 bu do at 72c; 2,400 bu at 71½c; 1,600 bu do at 71c; 800 bu do at 70½c; 6,200 bu do at 70c; 800 bu No. 3 (A., D. & Co.) at 64c; 800 bu do (Central) at 63¾c; 800 bu do at 63c; 800 bu at 60c; 2,800 bu at 59c; 400 bu do at 58c; 2,000 bu at 55c; 2,800 bu rejected at 45c; 2,000 bu do at 44c; 400 bu by sample at 82c; 500 bu do at 70c; 400 bu at 65c on track; 400 bu at 82c delivered. Total, 28,300 bu.

The following is the official report of grain in store in this city on the evening of Saturday last, and at corresponding dates:

	WHEAT. Feb. 22, '73.	Feb. 15, '73.	Feb. 24, '72.
No. 1 amber			1,200
No. 1 red			200
No. 2 red			1,330
No. 3 winter			4,600
Rejected winter			
No. 1 spring	4,727	5,020	27,610
No. 2 spring	1,454,391	1,349,293	1,434,254
No. 3 spring	476,643	429,005	70,902
No. 1 hard spring	2,753	7,259	7,259
No. 2 hard spring	13,784	8,851	37,191
Rejected spring	68,391	63,364	28,970
No grade spring	418	418	1,260
Total	2,020,754	1,858,703	1,605,328
	CORN.		
Yellow	45,043	43,172	43,182
No. 1	116,060	110,791	77,017
No. 2	4,518,707	4,134,305	5,025,239
Rejected	356,460	276,734	116,967
No. 2 kiln dried	3,533	3,533	
Rejected kiln dried			
No grade	361	361	1,829
New No. 2			
Total	5,040,108	4,568,796	5,264,243
	OATS.		
No. 1	3,879	3,879	6, 95
No. 2	1,386,394	1,269,880	938,514
Rejected	80,565	81,582	71,939
No grade	543		116
Total	1,489,963	1,354,045	1,018,497
	RYE.		
No. 1	5,938	5,574	54,969
No. 2	293,349	282,268	231,921
Rejected	2,212	1,902	7,544
Total	301,497	289,744	294,434
	BARLEY.		
No. 2	275,789	220,372	452,928
No. 3	79,464	79,431	75,037
Rejected	37,337	23,450	6,832
Total	396,118	323,253	534,697

Total, 9,248,442 bu. These figures show an increase, during the past week, of 162,051 bu. There is 471,312 bu corn; 135,920 bu oats; 11,758 bu rye; 2,865 bu barley. Total increase, 783,901 bu. In addition to the above there are now 85,452 bu corn afloat in the harbor.

PRODUCE STATISTICS.

The New York *Produce Exchange Weekly* has the following:

The visible supply of grain, including the stocks in granary at the principal ports of accumulation, at lake and seaboard ports, frozen in on the New York canals, and in transit by rail, Feb. 19, 1873:

In store at	Wheat, bu.	Corn, bu.	Oats, bu.	Barley, bu.
New York	818,333	3,923,665	299,937	421,792
Albany	10,000	5,630	105,000	142,000
Buffalo	143,198	148,894	69,653	78,816
Chicago	1,577,611	4,507,170	1,397,767	416,413
Milwaukee	1,416,000	30,000	221,000	80,000
Duluth	91,915			
Toledo	440,303	615,093	156,538	18,933
Detroit	308,840	92,398	64,810	54,130
Oswego	317,000	216,000	13,000	134,000
St. Louis	274,223	351,294	152,784	19,714
Boston	18,882	47,650	86,767	84,231
Toronto	317,472	1,442	7,759	67,671
Montreal	127,364	264,060	65,182	16,609
Philadelphia	75,000	210,000	80,000	25,000
Baltimore	70,000	145,000	30,000	
Rail shipments w'k	132,045	493,524	148,884	62,104
On N.Y. canals	82,120	164,467	85,200	76,138
Total week	6,380,476	10,296,825	1,888,192	1,667,305
Total—Feb. 17, '73	6,232,425	9,941,924	1,752,272	1,590,988
Total—Feb. 1, '73	6,125,438	9,184,729	3,290,186	2,044,316
Total—Dec. 28, '72	6,948,613	9,595,898	3,414,084	2,363,365
Total—Feb. 27, '72	10,856,615	10,466,566	6,788,021	1,977,297

*Estimated.

The export clearances for Europe from the ports of New York, Boston, Montreal, Philadelphia, and Baltimore, aggregated, were for the undermentioned weeks as follows:

	Flour, bbls.	Wheat, bu.	Corn, bu.
Feb. 20	3,026	44,474	222,671
" 13	8,107	61,984	542,665
" 6	15,643	50,959	707,186
Jan. 30	4,824	53,556	345,987
Total, four weeks	31,599	249,983	1,818,153
Jan. 23	15,54[illegible]	209,933	446,410
" 16	5,417	166,492	265,262
" 9			205,168
" 2	[illegible] weeks	44,079	583,873	1,371,981

It is expected that the surplus wheat crop of California for export in 1872-3 will be 225,000 tons, equal to 17,500,000 bushels, of which 11,470,688 bushels had been cleared from San Francisco from July 1, to February 5, leaving 6,029,312 bushels to go forward between Feb. 5, and June 30, the close of the crop year. There were loading and to load Feb. 5, 36 vessels, the aggregate measurement of which was 35,087 tons. The stock of wheat in San Francisco Feb. 1, 1872, was about 2,000,000 bushels.

The consumption of wheat in Great Britain at the rate of 400,000 qrs per week, is equal to 20,800,000 qrs per annum, while the consumption in France is as 22,000,000 qrs per annum, equal to 6,000,000 qrs per week. The estimate of 400,000 qrs per week is based on the average supply available for consumption during a period of ten years. The consumption now, with a moderate accretion of population, is believed to exceed 22,000,000 qrs per annum.

There were in transit for the United Kingdom, on Feb. 1, exclusive of shipments to ports in the north and the Black Sea ports, 323 cargoes wheat and flour, cargoes corn, against 264 cargoes of wheat and 36 cargoes corn at the corresponding date in 1872, and 451 cargoes of wheat and 36 cargoes of corn at the corresponding date in 1871. The cargoes on the coast, on Feb. 1, '73, comprised 174 from the Pacific Coast, averaging 16,000 bu each, equal to 8,352,000 bu, and 149 cargoes from other parts of the world, averaging 24,000 bu each, equal to 3,576,000 bu, making a grand total of wheat in transit for the United Kingdom Feb. 1, '73, of 11,928,000 bu, against 11,820,000 bu Jan. 25, '73.

The exports of wheat from Odessa for the year ended Dec. 31, 1872, were 2,788,000 qrs, equal to 22,664,000 bu, of which 1,894,000 qrs, or 15,152,000 bu, were to the United Kingdom, and of the 67,760 qrs of maize exported during the year 36,720 qrs were for the United Kingdom. During the week ended Jan. 15, three British steamers, wheat-laden, left Odessa for the United Kingdom, having 15,750 qrs wheat, and two other steamers, with 5,000 qrs each, were to leave on the 16th. Two more steamers were loading, and five others were in port. During the year, 270 British steamers sailed from Odessa with grain, and 234 steamers of other nationalities.

Advices from Havre, under date of Feb. 1, state that large purchases of wheat were being made for England, and also for speculation. In reports from 113 French provincial markets, held during the week ended Feb. 1, 52 were calm or unaltered; cheaper or tending downward in 38; dearer or tending upward in 33. The supply of grain at the various provincial towns was small; considerably smaller than during the previous week.

The stock of wheat in Marseilles Jan. 31, 1873, was 83,824 metrical quintals of 220½ lbs each. The arrivals from the 25th to the 31st January, 1873, were 15 cargoes of wheat, aggregating 72,000 metrical quintals, against 135,700 metrical quintals for the corresponding week in 1872. Of the 15 cargoes arrived, 8 were from Russia, aggregating 36,000 metrical quintals. From the 15th to the 31st of January 15 cargoes of wheat passed the Dardanelles, including 4 for Marseilles and 10 for the United Kingdom.

The exports from Odessa of flour and grain for the year 1872, and their distribution, were as follows:

To	Wheat, tech.	Barley, tech.	Rye, tech.	Peas, tech.
United Kingdom	3,461,520	51,000	263,000	214,30[illegible]
Continent	467,100	2,300	4,400	6,000
Turkey, Greece and Danube	21,000		6,400	200
Austria	300,000	3,400	5,700	1,250
Sweden and Norway	6,400		5,800	43,100
Continent	212,500		20,300	30,000
Italy	176,800		5,200	150
Other countries	104,000		1,450	17,000
Total, 1872	4,823,000	57,800	315,250	263,600
Total, 1871	3,520,400	51,070	614,000	4,150

And 732,100 pounds flour in 1872, against 553,000 pounds in 1871.

* 46,000 tschts. of oats, against 310,7000 tschts. in 1871.

Movement of wheat and flour at Marseilles, 1872:

IMPORTS. From	Flour, sks.	Wheat, qrs.	EXPORTS. To	Flour, sks.	Wheat, qrs.
	250 lbs.			280 lbs.	
Russia		684,726	England	88,908	20,193
Italy	1,116	68,384	Belgium	2,667	6,667
Turkey		48,585	Germany	105,924	15,928
Algiers		248,757	Switzerland	87,726	181,276
Other ports	11,329	19,823	Other ports	137,306	164,562
Total	12,445	1,069,295	Total	412,189	388,627

With the exception of Odessa, the stocks of wheat are small in the exporting ports of Eastern Europe. There is a deficiency in the wheat crops of Hungary, Southern Russia, and Turkey. In the north of Italy, as well as in Switzerland, the wheat harvest of 1872 was deficient, and considerable imports will be required. It is at the present time difficult to form a correct opinion as to the future of values, as this will depend upon the result of the autumnal sowings in Great Britain, France, and Italy. These have been more limited than in ordinary years, owing to the unusually protracted rainy period, and the superabundance of moisture. Much will depend upon the weather during the operations of spring sowing, and further, on the appearance and prospects of the growing crops as the harvest season is neared. The indications are that prices will rise above the usual average, which they now are.

In California and Oregon there has been an abundance of moisture, and the area under wheat is considerably larger than in 1872, with a present prospect of an abundant harvest.

The Foreign Commerce of New York.

Condensed from the Bulletin.

The entries for consumption of general merchandise at this port during January were about $600,000 less than for the corresponding month last year, but some $3,000,000 in excess of 1871. A material falling off in the entries for warehousing, which is offset by a large increase in the imports of free goods, both of which are traceable to the revisions that have been effected in the tariff since January, 1872. The specie movement is but slightly in excess of last year. The withdrawals from warehouse show a considerable deficit as compared with the preceding years, which is not, however, out of proportion with the reduced entered for bond, the stock in bond being increased more this year than in either 1872 or 1871.

IMPORTS AT NEW YORK FOR JANUARY.

	1871.	1872.	1873.
Entered for consumption	$14,160,556	$17,940,512	$17,370,281
Entered for warehouse	11,078,118	14,904,092	10,956,219
Free goods	3,355,702	2,729,060	9,463,392
Specie and bullion	308,686	105,222	113,999
Total entered at port	$28,792,062	$35,679,490	$37,803,691
Withdrawn from warehouse	$13,006,264	$12,899,012	$9,567,918

As the fiscal year begins on the 1st of July, we bring forward a comparison of the total imports for a period of seven months ended with January, to which the explanation of the movement for the month, given above, is applicable, the comparison being affected by the same causes —primarily the removal of the duty on certain articles on the 1st of July.

IMPORTS FOR SEVEN MONTHS ENDING JAN. 31.

	1871.	1872.	1873.
Ent. for cons'n	$105,024,892	$121,583,098	$105,474,683
Ent. for ware'g	54,866,051	79,627,540	76,792,358
Free goods	10,630,456	12,784,547	30,351,909
Specie and bullion	4,910,371	1,711,878	4,930,569
Total ent. at port	$185,131,270	$218,707,772	$237,129,419
Withdrawn from warehouse	54,231,875	74,862,053	99,588,533

The exports of domestic produce, foreign merchandise, and specie, for January, are shown by the following table. The exhibit is not very favorable. There is an increase in exports of specie amounting to $6,500,000, to offset which there if an increase of only $2,000,000 in exports of produce:

EXPORTS FOR JANUARY.

	1871.	1872.	1873.
Dom. produce	$18,370,758	$18,179,488	$19,376,497
Foreign mdse, free	43,412	86,642	242,121
Foreign dutiable	493,705	684,874	428,932
Specie and bullion	2,149,211	1,540,362	7,127,989
Total exports	$20,987,087	$20,491,366	$27,178,539
Total excl. specie	18,837,876	18,951,004	20,050,550

For the seven months of the fiscal year, the showing is rather more satisfactory. The exports of produce were $11,000,000 in excess of 1872. There is an excess of $13,000,000 in exports of specie, which offset by an increase in the total ex

	Size.	Price.
	8x10	$1.75
	9x13	2.03
	10x12	2.08
	9x14	2.30
	10x15	2.56

IN RAIL SASH.

	Size of 12-light window.	Price per window.
	2x 3½ by 3x9½	.80c
	2x 7 by 4x6	.87c
	2x 7 by 5x9	.84c
	2x10 by 4x8	.87c
	2x10 by 5x2	.64c
	2x 7 by 8x2	.80c
	2x10 by 5x2	.80c

per cent is made from the above

was in moderate demand and were made at $3.00@3.40, for Clover was dull at $5.20@5.25 $5.75 for mammoth. Hungaraces include 10 bags choice ags prime at $3.30; 140 bags do at $3.15; 9 bags at $3.00; 86 .25; 6 bags at $5.30; 50 bags bags good Hungarian at 95c;

ades of Young Hyson and gunh 5c advance on last week's ions remain steady as preYoung Hyson, common to fair, 75c; do choice to extra fine, to fine old Hyson, 75c@$1.00; 87c; good to choice do, gunpowder, 80c@$1.05; choice 35c@1.40; choice to extra leaf o good do, 70@80c; common natival leaf Japan, 55@65c; 35@45c; good, 60@70c; choice

at the annexed prices: Beech hickory, $14.00; slabs, $8.00.

eatures of the market are about ding week. Wool is very dull, ling prevails. Washed fleece, y firmly by some dealers, being

	68@68c
	53c@58c
	48c@50c
	54c@56c
	53c@54c
	49c@47c
	43c@47c
	51c@54c
	48c@48c
in good condition	32c@35c
dingy	28c@31c
to medium	32c@38c
, and dingy	31c@34c
	44c@48c
	44c@48c

TS—Were active and firm. We

| | 100 to 125 lbs. | 125 to 150 lbs. | 150 to 175 lbs. | 175 to 200 lbs. | 200 to 250 lbs. | Fancy lots, 250 to 300 lbs. | Extra heavy fat hogs. | Choice to extra heavy fat cattle. | Good to choice fat cattle. | Common to fair fat cattle. | Choice to extra fat cows. | Good to choice fat cows. | Common to fair fat cows. | Choice to extra fat steers. | Good to choice fat steers. | Common to fair fat steers. | Choice to extra fat oxen. | Good to choice fat oxen. | Common to fair fat oxen. | Choice to extra fat bulls. | Good to choice fat bulls. | Common to fair fat bulls. | Choice to extra fat calves. | Good to choice fat calves. | Common to fair fat calves. | Choice to extra fat sheep. | Good to choice fat sheep. | Common to fair fat sheep. | Choice to extra fat lambs. | Good to choice fat lambs. | Common to fair fat lambs. | Choice to extra fat stags. | Good to choice fat stags. | Common to fair fat stags. | Choice to extra fat boars. | Good to choice fat boars. | Common to fair fat boars. | Choice to extra fat pigs. | Good to choice fat pigs. | Common to fair fat pigs. | Choice to extra fat shoats. | Good to choice fat shoats. | Common to fair fat shoats. | Choice to extra fat roosters. | Good to choice fat roosters. | Common to fair fat roosters. | Choice to extra fat hens. | Good to choice fat hens. | Common to fair fat hens. | Choice to extra fat ducks. | Good to choice fat ducks. | Common to fair fat ducks. | Choice to extra fat geese. | Good to choice fat geese. | Common to fair fat geese. | Choice to extra fat turkeys. | Good to choice fat turkeys. | Common to fair fat turkeys. | Choice to extra fat pigeons. | Good to choice fat pigeons. | Common to fair fat pigeons. | Choice to extra fat rabbits. | Good to choice fat rabbits. | Common to fair fat rabbits. | Choice to extra fat squirrels. | Good to choice fat squirrels. | Common to fair fat squirrels. | Choice to extra fat raccoons. | Good to choice fat raccoons. | Common to fair fat raccoons. | Choice to extra fat opossums. | Good to choice fat opossums. | Common to fair fat opossums. | Choice to extra fat skunks. | Good to choice fat skunks. | Common to fair fat skunks. | Choice to extra fat minks. | Good to choice fat minks. | Common to fair fat minks. | Choice to extra fat otters. | Good to choice fat otters. | Common to fair fat otters. | Choice to extra fat beavers. | Good to choice fat beavers. | Common to fair fat beavers. | Choice to extra fat muskrats. | Good to choice fat muskrats. | Common to fair fat muskrats. | Choice to extra fat weasels. | Good to choice fat weasels. | Common to fair fat weasels. | Choice to extra fat foxes. | Good to choice fat foxes. | Common to fair fat foxes. | Choice to extra fat wolves. | Good to choice fat wolves. | Common to fair fat wolves. | Choice to extra fat bears. | Good to choice fat bears. | Common to fair fat bears. | Choice to extra fat deer. | Good to choice fat deer. | Common to fair fat deer. | Choice to extra fat elk. | Good to choice fat elk. | Common to fair fat elk. | Choice to extra fat moose. | Good to choice fat moose. | Common to fair fat moose. | Choice to extra fat buffalo. | Good to choice fat buffalo. | Common to fair fat buffalo. | Choice to extra fat antelope. | Good to choice fat antelope. | Common to fair fat antelope. | Choice to extra fat goats. | Good to choice fat goats. | Common to fair fat goats

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prediction of the matter, and, most certainly, if the case had ever been properly presented, and if his conduct had appeared to have been what was charged, he (Poland) would have voted for his expulsion.

Mr. Poland then proceeded to discuss the report made by Mr. Butler (Mass.) yesterday, and denied there was any precedent in parliamentary law for the assumption in that report. On the contrary, with the little sense he had been able to make since last evening, he had found in English parliamentary history, two cases subsequent to that of John Wilkes. One was the case of Ward, charged with forgery, and the other that of Hulme, charged with perjury, who were both expelled from the House of Commons, the offenses having been committed before their election. There never had been a question raised in the English Parliament as to its power to expel unworthy members, no matter when their offenses were committed.

Mr. ELDRIDGE—Does the gentleman claim that Congress has the same power as the British Parliament?

Mr. POLAND—Certainly I do.

The half hour extension of time having come to an end, it was proposed by some member that the time should again be extended.

Mr. BUTLER (Mass.)—The gentleman (Poland) said that he would divide his time.

Mr. POLAND—Certainly.

Mr. BUTLER—If he does not use much longer it would be dividing eternity. [Roars of laughter.] I object to his going on.

Several Members—"Oh! no, do not object."

Mr. BUTLER—I withdraw the objection.

Mr. SLOCUM—I object on the ground that there are two or twenty members who desire to speak.

Mr. POLAND (compliantly)—Then the gentleman withdraws his objection, I was about to say that I did not grave it rather extension of time [laughter at Slocumbe any] so as I shall have an opportunity to close [illegible] case.

The SPEAKER—The gentleman from Massachu[illegible] ected by this resolution (Ames), de[illegible], who is a[illegible] House, and sends to the Clerk's desk [illegible] read. They will be read by the Clerk his remarks to be [illegible] Clerk.

AMES' REMARKS.

Mr. McPHERSON, the Clerk, [illegible] Ames, who occupied a large manuscript prepared by [illegible] his head resting upon one of the front seats, and, with [illegible] ect on the floor and reading on his hand, watched attentively the [illegible] ment audience. Some of the close, keen hits at [illegible] elicited whispered comments of approval and [illegible] sional laughter. It was listened to throughout with the greatest attention. The perora[illegible] was splendidly read, so that even the sensibilities of Ames himself could not be restrained into confidence to keep tears from suffusing his eyes, and it was received with half-suppressed murmurs of approbation all over the House. The reading closed at half-past 2.

The speech of Oakes Ames opens with a detailed description of the history of the Union Pacific Railroad. Speaking of the Hoxie contract, he says on the 8th of August, 1864, the contract for building 100 miles west from the Missouri River was let to H. M. Hoxie, the only contractor offering to undertake so hazardous an adventure. Six months demonstrated his inability to perform it, and no course seemed open with the exception of the consolidation of personal means into a co-operate body, whereby the pecuniary ability of a large number of persons might be available to the task of constructing the road, while at the same time enjoying the shelter of corporate liability only. Accordingly, on March 15, 1865, the Credit Mobilier assumed the obligations of the Hoxie contract, and entered upon its performance. It was soon manifest that even this organization, as then constituted, would be unable to accomplish the work. The state of the country and the peculiar local conditions were exceedingly unfavorable to the successful prosecution of the work. Gold was [illegible] 150, there was no market for the first mortgage bonds, and the Government bonds payable in currency were of uncertain value and difficult of sale. No Eastern railroad connection existed, whereby the vast amount of material required for construction could find reasonable and rapid transportation. It was compelled to follow instead the long and tedious route of the Missouri River at an extraordinary cost for transportation, and without insurance against the perils of navigation. All materials were high, and the class of labor required scarce. There was universal distrust in financial circles of the ultimate completion of the road, and the general conviction was that when completed, it would fail to prove remunerative or profitable. Early in September, 1865, it became manifest that the work, unless additional strength could be imparted to the corporation. Accordingly, after urgent solicitation and long consideration, myself and others associated with me for the first time took an interest in the organization. The capital stock was increased, additional money raised, and the work went forward. Under this arrangement, 247 miles of the road were built and equipped, on the 1st of August, 1867, and proceeded by the Oakes Ames contract, and this contract was, on the 18th of October, 1867, assigned to seven persons, as trustees, and under it 667 miles of road were built. The alleged corrupt transactions imputed to me are charged to have been initiated in December, 1867. After a long and nearly inefficient struggle the final consolidation of the roads was effected. By my intervention in its affairs no one doubted that it would be rapidly pushed to completion. Congress had long before, if not at my instance, enacted laws tendering Government aid to the construction of the road, and the location of the road, and I and my associates accepted its offers, and undertook the work. The Company had no reason to apprehend unfriendly or hostile legislation, for great interests of the country were identified a friendly attitude. The whole country was loud in demonstrations in approval of the energy and activity I had infused to the enterprise. Heads of departments, officials of every grade, whose duties brought them in contact with the affairs of the Company, were clamorous for increased speed of construction, and never lost an opportunity to express approval of the work and [illegible]ging it forward. It had never entered my head that the Company would ask for or need additional legislation. As a matter of history, no legislation at all affecting the interests of the Credit Mobilier was asked for three years and a half after the date of the alleged sales by me of Credit Mobilier stock, and then only in settlement of a purely judicial question and [illegible]ground of controversy which grew up in the critical period of its fortunes, and in relation to which no controversy had ever before been made. Under these circumstances, with all legislation sought granted, no future action of Congress to be asked for or feared, it is charged that I have been guilty of selling to members of Congress shares of stock in the Credit Mobilier for prices below its true value, with intent to influence votes and decisions of such members. If this charge is true, it is predicated upon three facts, all of which I took satisfaction of the body in order to justify the extreme measures recommended by the Committee. First, the shares must have been sold at prices so manifestly and palpably below their true value as to conclusively presume the expectation of some other pecuniary advantage, in addition to the price paid. Second, the shares must have been of such a nature that their ownership would create in the purchaser a purpose to shape legislation in the interest of the seller. Third, some distinct and specific matter or thing, to be brought before Congress on which votes and decisions of members are sought, should be shown to have been [illegible] proved. It is by no means clear, from the testimony, that the stock was sold at a price less than its true value. It was not on the market; it had no market value. Unlike an ordinary marketable commodity, it had no current price, and the amount for which it could be sold depended upon the temperament of the buyer and his inclination to assume extraordinary risks on the one hand, or his tendency to conservatism and strictly solid investments on the other. It is in proof before a Committee of the House by witnesses largely interested in railroad construction and operation, and of great financial ability and strength, that when this stock was offered to them at par, it was instantly declined by them as a most dangerous risk involved. These capitalists believed all capital in the stock was jeopardized, and the venture was therefore declined. Apart from some proof that a small amount of this stock changed hands between persons addicted to speculation, at about 180,—nothing is shown in reference to its value, except that it was not on the market, and had not an ascertained price. To overturn the presumption of innocence and substitute the conclusive imputation of guilt from the simple fact of such a transaction occurring between men who had long maintained the mostly friendly personal relations, of whom nothing was asked, and by whom nothing was promised, is to overturn all the safeguards afforded person and property by common law, and, in lieu thereof, establish an inquisitional code, under which no man's reputation is safe. It may be said the giving by any person and the receiving by a member of Congress of a gratuity in stock, or, what is identical therewith, selling and buying at an inadequate price, imports corruption in both giver and receiver, the buyer and seller. Whoever proclaims this doctrine should instantly set on foot the inquiry how many railroad Presidents and Superintendents have presented to members of Congress the value of transportation over their respective railroad lines, and by whom the same have been received, to the end that justice may be done, and the one presented for indictment and the other for [illegible] the dimensions and value of the gratuity have nothing to do with the question. There is no middle ground on which to stand. For the first time in the history of any tribunal, this body has before it an alleged offender without any offense. I am charged by the Committee with the purpose of corrupting certain members of Congress, while, at the same time, said members are proved to have been unconscious of any purpose, and the charge fails to indicate the subject of the corruption. In other words, the purpose to corrupt is inferred, where the effect of corrupting could not by any possibility be produced, and where no subject for corruption existed. No lawyer who values his reputation will assert that an indictment for bribery could stand for an instant in a common law court without specifically alleging who was the briber, who was bribed, and what precise measure, matter, or thing was the subject of bribery. There can be no attempt to bribe without the hope or purpose of corruptly influencing some person, or persons, in respect to some particular act. Until, therefore, it is alleged and shown, not only who tendered a bribe, but who accepted or refused it, and what was the thing, matter, or measure to be influenced, any conviction which may follow the alleged offense must bear on the shifting and unstable foundation of individual caprice, and not upon the solid rock of justice, adjudicated under the restraints of law.

Ames, in continuation, protests against the conclusion of the Committee, which makes a partial and discriminating allotment of penalties of the statute of Feb. 26, 1857, designed by the framers impartially to strike or shelter all to whom it applies.

He then says: "I wish to declare, in the broadest sense of which language is capable, that in writing the Newcomb letters, I never for an instant imagined that from them could be extracted proof of the motive and purpose of corrupting members of Congress, motives and purposes which I solemnly declare I never entertained. The insignificant amounts of stock sold to each member with whom I had dealings; the proven fact that I never urged its purchase, and the entire lack of secrecy, ordinarily the badge of evil purposes, in these transactions ought, in my judgment, to stand as a conclusive refutation of the offenses charged above, and beyond this I submit that a long and busy life, spent in the prosecution of business pursuits, useful to myself and useful to mankind, and a reputation hitherto without stain, should, of its own weight, overcome and outweigh the charges solely upheld by the inconsiderate and unguarded utterances of a confidential business communication."

Ames says the actual cost in money of building the road was about $70,000,000, and all statements of a less cost are based upon mere statements of engineers who never saw the work, and utterly failed to grasp the condition under which it was prosecuted. The actual profit on this expenditure, estimating the securities and stock at their market value when received in payment, was less than ten millions, as can be demonstrated and established in any court. So far, he says, as I am pecuniarily concerned, it would have been better that I never heard of the Union Pacific Railroad. At its completion, the Company was itself in debt about six millions, the burden of which fell upon individuals, myself among others. Mr. Ames concluded as follows:

"These then are my offenses—that I have risked reputation, fortune, everything, in an enterprise of incalculable benefit to the Government, from which the capital of the world shrank; that I have sought to strengthen the work thus rashly undertaken by invoking the charitable judgment of the public upon its obstacles and its embarrassed condition; that I have had friends, some of them in official life, with whom I have been willing to share advantageous opportunities of investment; that I have kept to truth through good and evil report, denying nothing, concealing nothing, reserving nothing. Who will say that I alone am to be offered up as a sacrifice to appease a public clamor, or expiate the sin of others? Not until such an offering is made will I believe it possible, but if this body shall so order it, that it can best be purchased by the choice of a single victim, I shall accept its mandate, appealing with unfaltering confidence to the impartial verdict of history for that vindication which it is proposed to deny me here."

Mr. POTTER, reverting to law precedents cited by Mr. Poland, to-day, remarked that though the persons who were referred to were expelled for acts committed before their election, yet they had been indicted for them during the sitting of Parliament.

FARNSWORTH FOR THE ACCUSED.

Mr. FARNSWORTH then rose and proceeded to make an argument in behalf of the accused, and against the conclusions of the Select Committee. What he asked was the statement of the Committee as against Oaks Ames? First, that he had bribed his friends; second, that they did not know that they were bribed; third, that they were not affected by the bribery; and fourth, that neither Ames nor the persons bribed knew what they were to do, or abstain from doing, and yet this Committee condemned its report by charging that Ames was guilty of bribery, because he sold them these sales of stock. He (Farnsworth) could not so understand the laws of bribery. In the first place, one man could not commit bribery any more than one man could commit a conspiracy, or any more [illegible] one person could commit matrimony. [Laughter.] [illegible] red two parties. Again, there could not be bribery [illegible] unless the person bribed was to do, or abstain from doing, something. Besides, a man did not bribe his friends. A man never went to his friend, already committed to his side of the case and in favor of his interest, to bribe him. Bribes were offered to men to convert them. They were offered to those who were distinctived—to prevail upon them to do what the bribe desired them to do. Passing to the case of Brooks, Mr. Farnsworth called attention to the fact that the latter charged against him took place during the time when Brooks was not a member of Congress, and when he was under no greater obligation of duty in regard to the matter than were Durant, Dillon, or any one of those gentlemen who were engaged in the enterprise. It was then that Brooks first made negotiations for Credit Mobilier stock. The subsequent transfer of this stock by Brooks to his son-in-law, Nellson, was only a proof of his extreme delicacy in not wishing to be connected personally with the matter while he was a Government Director. Besides, it was the most natural thing in the world for a man to look after the interest of his own kith and kin. The people had been told that for eight years, within the past year, in respect to persons higher in office than Brooks. [Laughter.] If this transfer to Nellson had been attempted on the part of Brooks to cover up a bad transaction, he never would have selected his son-in-law. No man, he was going to say, with the sense necessary to be a member of Congress—that was not putting it very high [laughter]—but with sense enough to be a County Justice of the Peace—that was better [laughter]—would ever have resorted to so flimsy a dodge as to select his son-in-law in order to cover up a bad transaction. To his mind, on the face of it was not the evidence of fraud, but the badge of fair dealing, and it would be so regarded by every sensible judicial tribunal in the land. He did not wish to be understood as approving this matter in all its length and breadth. He believed that the purchase of Credit Mobilier stock by members of Congress was a very imprudent thing, but he did not propose himself to cast a stone at those who did it. He did not think it was a proper thing for any one to continue that sort of a machine. That might have been iniquitous, but, if so, the House should go back and punish the men who made the contrivance. Let the men who contrived the iniquity be taken up and expelled, if there were such in the House, instead of expelling one man, because he sold stock, and another because he bought it. After passing eulogies on the character of Ames, Brooks, he remarked that it had been said that "slander loves a shining mark." It was so in this case. Men who had been Chairmen of Committees of the House and who had been regarded as leaders of the House, and whom he had always believed, and still believed to-day, to be among the best men of the House, had been singled out in this case. He had had many a bout with some of these men; had had many sharp encounters with them in debates, but the sharp words which had been uttered on either side had been forgotten and forgiven. He was not, as he was about to leave the hall, going to throw stones at them. It was most deplorable that such men should be singled out for these shafts. He reminded the House that some men—

"Compound for sins they are inclined to—
By damning those they have no mind to."

And so vicious people, men not half so good as those they condemn, would compound for sins ten times worse, and would justify in their own minds the sins they commit, if they could but drag down to their own level a bright and shining mark. This question, after all, resolved itself into the single question, whether the stock of the Credit Mobilier was consumed property? Was it and of itself iniquitous, so as to corrupt the men who held it? The Committee did not anywhere pretend to the affirmative of that proposition. On the contrary, Ames was one of the largest stockholders of Credit Mobilier stock, and yet it was proposed to punish him because of that fact. The House was permitted to take it for granted that property as property did not corrupt or taint the holder, and if they were then driven to examine the conclusion of the Committee, to-wit: Whether there was bribery? On that question, he would say no more.

MEANS'S SPEECH.

After a few further remarks the hammer fell, and Mr. Merrick, one of the Democratic members of the Select Committee, took the floor.

Mr. Merrick commenced his remarks in so low a tone as to be hardly audible at the reporters' desk. He expressed his regret at finding himself in the painful position of defending the report of the Committee, particularly that portion in which the Committee was proposed to have whitewashed the other members who had received Credit Mobilier stock. He who so read the report would find no justification of its scope and purpose. The Committee had not, in the language referred to, attempted to exculpate those gentlemen. On the contrary, the Committee had pointed out the course of Senator Bayard, of Delaware, in refusing to touch that stock. It had been the object of the Committee, as far as it could do so within the limits of its power, to strike a blow, and to cast censure on all of them. If these members in it there was no evidence of the fact before the Committee. If they had been aware of the enormous dividends that were to grow out of the contract which they made with Ames, the Committee could not have acquitted them, but there was no evidence that they did not know it.

Mr. ELDRIDGE remarked that they must have known it, when they received large dividends.

Mr. MERRICK asked whether the gentleman from Wisconsin had read the testimony at all, and if so, did he not know well that a contract with each of those men was made in the months of December and January, and that the dividends spoken of were not made till the 17th of June following. How then could they know that which did not take place till six months afterwards? He declared it to be one of the proudest considerations of his life, that every member of the Committee felt that it was a solemn duty to find the verdict "not guilty" with reference to those whose guilt had not been established, as it was to render the painful verdict of guilty" in reference to those whose guilt was proved beyond the possibility of a reasonable doubt. The acts and conduct of Oakes Ames with reference to those members not included in the condemnatory action of the Committee in no way implicated them unfortunate in the position in which they were placed, could be regarded, and characterized, and understood. What he was doing, he knew and understood. What the relations of the Credit Mobilier were to the Union Pacific Railway Company, he knew, and understood that complications would grow out of the predicament in which he was placing them. After replying to several other questions from members on his own side, Mr. Merrick said he would now come to consider the questions affecting the gentlemen as to whom the Committee had made a specific report. He was pained to mention names. Some of those men, who had heretofore been honored in the country, and in the party of which he (Merrick) was a member. In respect to his colleague, the Committee could not shut its eyes to the fact, that he must have known from the beginning all the relations between those two corporations. Brooks had claimed an interest in the Credit Mobilier stock, and when his claim was conceded "not as a right," then, said Merrick, he reveals his guilty knowledge, which is too patent for any eye to fail to see it. The very moment of its concession to him, he says that he, being a Government Director, cannot take it in his own name.

Mr. SHELLABARGER, alluding to the statement that Oakes Ames had contrived this thing with satanic skill, and kept back from the parties with whom he dealt information which would have repelled them if they knew what he did, asked whether the Committee had had any proof before it to show that the statement contained in Oakes Ames' letter of Jan. 25, 1868, was not true, namely: "Part of the purchasers here are poor and want their bonds to sell to enable them to meet their payment on stock of the Credit Mobilier. I have told them what they would get as dividends, and they expect it."

Mr. MERRICK replied that there was no evidence before the Committee that Ames had made any such statement to those men. There was no evidence as to what communications had taken place between them, except the statement of Ames and themselves. Mr. Merrick continued: Only when it is conceded to him, does the transfer to his son-in-law. Who can say, what rational being can say, that by transferring this thing when he first claims to get possession of it in his own right, to his son-in-law, he thereby purged himself of iniquity? The iniquity attached when he demanded and received title to it himself. Mr. Merrick went on to quote the evidence bearing on the point of the guilty knowledge of Brooks, and then asked whether the Committee was not justified in saying that the pretext between Brooks and Nellson was a mere sham, and that, in point of fact, Nellson was the figure-head of ownership and Brooks the man who derived the fruits of the contract, and continued to enjoy them throughout, and enjoyed them to the present day. He was sorry from the depth of his heart to be obliged to make this statement and this exposition, but where duty called him neither friend nor foe must expect him to desert from his obligation of disclosing the whole truth, and letting Congressmen fall where they might.

[Murmers of applause when the hammer fell, and Mr. Merrick took his seat.]

LOUISIANA.

The SPEAKER laid before the House the President's message in reference to Louisiana. The message having been read, Mr. MOREY moved to refer it to the Judiciary Committee.

Mr. COX moved to lay the message on the table, so as to take it up at any time.

Mr. POTTER, member of the Judiciary Committee, said that the Committee had four cases of impeachment before it, one of them involving this very question, and he assured the House, as his conviction, that if the message was sent to that committee, there would be no action on it during this Congress.

Mr. SHELDON favored having the message laid on the table, to be taken up at any time after the action of the Senate was had.

Mr. COX'S motion to lay the message on the table was rejected.

The message was then referred to the Judiciary Committee, with leave to sit during the session of the House and report at any time.

RECESS.

Mr. POLAND then moved recess till half-past 7 o'clock, with the statement that he would not call for a vote to-night, but that the session should be for debate only on the pending resolution.

Mr. W. B. ROBERTS moved to adjourn.

Adjournment was lost amid a good deal of confusion and cries of propositions and suggestions.

The House, at 5 o'clock, took a recess till half-past 7, the evening session to be for debate only, and no business whatever to be transacted.

EVENING SESSION.

THE POLAND COMMITTEE'S REPORT.

The House reassembled at 7:30 p. m., Mr. MYERS (Pa.) in the chair as Speaker pro tem.

Mr. WAKEMAN argued against the resolution, and declared that he was not even satisfied that an offense had been committed.

Mr. McCRARY, one of the members of the Special Committee, made an argument in support of the resolution. A good deal had been said in the debate of yielding to popular clamor. He did not regard this as a popular clamor. The people were excited because they saw corruption in high places, and in legislative bodies, and on the judicial bench, and they felt that if corruption got into Congress, and undertook to shape and control legislation, their liberties would be in danger. In conclusion, he said that every member of the Select Committee had only desired to discharge his duty faithfully and according to his oath. If the House could find all those men acquitted, it was for the House to decide; but he for one felt it would be an unfortunate thing for the country if the House should pass over, without any punishment, the cases of the two gentlemen named in the resolution now under consideration.

Mr. COMINGO made an argument against the resolution.

Mr. HAWLEY next addressed the House. He said the report of the Select Committee deserved the support of the House, and he should give it his support at least. He loved some of the men whose names were involved in this matter, but he had no friend whom he would not vote to censure, or to expel, if he had been found to have been guilty of crime against the national honor. [Applause on the floor and in the galleries.]

Mr. COX reminded Mr. Hawley that during the last campaign he had declared at a public meeting that there was no ownership in the Credit Mobilier stock on the part of Senator Wilson, while the evidence now showed that there had been. He would like to know how his indignant friend from Connecticut came to make that statement?

Mr. HAWLEY said that whatever he might think of the purpose of the question, he would answer it squarely. He had risen on the stage in Hartford, after half an hour's conversation with Senator Wilson, and had declared that gentleman to be, to the best of his belief and knowledge, innocent of any complication whatever, directly or indirectly, and in the first flush of his indignation he had dashed the world to prove that he was so complicated. If the evidence since showed that he was mistaken, it was not his fault. He had said what he believed.

Mr. COX—All right.

Mr. HAWLEY insisted in conclusion that he would vote for the expulsion of Ames, and would vote as he thought proper on the next resolution.

Mr. BLAIR made a legal argument against the resolution.

Mr. RITCHIE described himself as begirt with doubts on all points involved, and Mr. CONGER assailed the Committee itself for having outstepped its power and lost sight of its duties. The Committee, he said, had been instructed simply to inquire whether any member of the House had been bribed, and, by a most lame and impotent conclusion, the Committee had reported that Ames, by some certain process, proved was guilty of an intent to bribe somebody, the Committee did not know who.

The House at 11:10 adjourned.

FIRES.

Destruction of Property in Various Places.

DETROIT, Feb. 25.—A Port Huron special of this morning reported the destruction, last night, by fire, of the liquor store of Burt & Co., and also the burning of the Masonic Hall, which occupied the upper story of the adjoining building. Loss heavy, and no insurance.

NEW YORK, Feb. 25.—The Mott Haven fire, yesterday, did not cause a damage greater than $35,000, but a number of families were rendered homeless.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 25.—The Marshall House, in Alexandria, where Col. Ellsworth was killed, at the beginning of the war, burned last night. The fire was the work of incendiary.

Special Dispatch to The Chicago Tribune.

TORONTO, Feb. 25.—A fire occurred yesterday at Listowell, Ont., destroying several business houses. Loss, $18,000.

An oil refinery was also destroyed at London. Loss, $4,000.

DETROIT, Feb. 25.—The saw-mill of Crosby & Son, in Montcalm County, was destroyed by fire on Sunday. Loss, $10,000; no insurance.

A fire at Port Huron, last night, destroyed the liquor store of Bush & Co., and the upper story of the adjoining block, occupied by the Masons as a lodge-room. Loss, $8,000; uninsured.

A 3-year-old child of Mrs. Edward Loucks, of Royal Oak, was burned to death today, its clothes catching fire from a stove while the mother was absent.

A fire at Montague, Muskegon County, this morning, destroyed the Montague Hotel, Dowling's Block, five stores, and the Syndicate printing office. The hotel was valued at $30,000; the other buildings, $15,000. Partial insurance.

UTAH.

Heavy Snow-Storm—The Mormon Question.

SALT LAKE, Feb. 25.—The severest snow storm known here for ten years occurred last night. To-day in the streets it is a foot and a half deep on the level. Great anxiety is felt as to the condition of the mining towns and the Camp Wahsatch districts. Local trains are all late, but there is no blockade. The Union Pacific is on time to Green River, and thence to Ogden three hours late. The Central Pacific is all clear.

The *Tribune* to-day advocates the appointment of a commission to investigate Utah affairs, in preference to what it calls hasty and ill-considered legislation, and again calls upon the President for the home rule policy in the appointment to office of conservative residents of the Territory who are opposed to the theocratic rule, but friendly to the mass of the Mormon people.

The public impression is stronger that there will be no legislation at this session. The press is temperate on both sides.

Sixty thousand dollars cash was paid yesterday on account of the Utah mining property.

Railroad News.

Special Dispatch to The Chicago Tribune.

LASALLE, Ill., Feb. 25.—There was a large meeting of the friends of the projected Lafayette, LaSalle & Clinton Railroad in this city last evening, at which committees were appointed to solicit subscriptions of money to defray the expense of a preliminary survey of the route, and report on Thursday evening. Their efforts are attended with the most encouraging success, for all classes of citizens are alive to the importance of the enterprise.

An Alleged Swindle.

OMAHA, Feb. 25.—The Common Council tonight passed a resolution to the effect that, in their opinion, the lottery now advertised by C. M. Patjee, of this city, is a swindle, and that the same is not and will not be indorsed by any member of the Council.

The Boston Post-Office.

Special Dispatch to The Chicago Tribune.

NEW YORK, Feb. 25.—The Boston *Post* says the appropriation by Congress of an additional half million of dollars for the enlargement of the area of the new Post-Office in that city is due to the exertions of Postmaster Burt and Gen. Butler, both of whom are interested in Cape Ann granite quarries.

Telegraphic Brevities.

It is understood that Jesse George, of Philadelphia, lately deceased, who was worth nearly $400,000, gave almost all his property to charitable institutions.

There are 4,024 persons in the Philadelphia Alms House, a larger number than was ever before known.

Denial.

CAIRO, Ill., Feb. 25.—It is authoritatively denied here that the counterfeiter Hays, arrested here last week, proves to be John Ogle, a noted counterfeiter, who is wanted at Cincinnati and other places on similar charges.

The Penitentiary Commission.

JOLIET, Ill., Feb. 25.—The House Committee appointed to investigate the charges against the Penitentiary management have arrived. They will organize and be ready for work to-morrow.

Obituary.

HOUSATONIC, Mass., Feb. 25.—Hon. Charles M. Owen died in Stockbridge yesterday.

FOREIGN.

Formation of a New Spanish Ministry.

Gloom and Discontent Through the Infant Republic.

News from the Adjoining Dominion.

SPAIN.

MADRID, Feb. 25.—Cordova, Minister of War, insists upon resigning.

The Radical and Republican Deputies in the Assembly, at separate meetings held last night, resolved to appoint committees of twenty persons each, who are to appoint sub-committees, who are to appoint a plan for the settlement of the Ministerial crisis. It is now probable that the Assembly will not be dissolved.

LATER.

The Ministerial crisis terminated by the election of a new Government by the National Assembly. The changes made will be seen by the appended table:

New Ministry.	*Votes rec'd.*	*Old Ministry.*
Prest. of Council....Figueras	231	Figueras.
Minister of State....Castelar	237	Castelar.
Minister of Justice...N. Salmeron	230	N. Salmeron.
Minister of Interior..Pi y Margall	226	Pi y Margall.
Minister of War.....Acosta	149	Cordova.
Minister of Marine...Ovelro	176	Beranger.
Minister of Finance..Tetuan	169	Echegaray.
Minister of P. Works..Chao	172	Becerra.
Minister of Colonies..Serra	173	F. Salmeron.

After the newly elected Ministers had taken their seats, Figueras addressed the Assembly. He declared that there would be no change whatever in the programme already agreed upon.

MADRID, Feb. 25.—The Federalists of this city are excited and threaten an outbreak. Precautions have been taken to prevent conflicts in the streets. All the public buildings and many private houses in the discontented quarters of the city are occupied by troops.

Gen. Burgos is in command of the militia, and has at his disposal the entire force of guardians of the peace. The army is firm in its support of the Government. The measures to insure order have proved effective, and the city to-night presents its usual aspect of tranquility.

The *Journal-Gazette* announces the appointment of Gen. Pavia, who is recalled from the North, as Captain-General of Madrid, and Senor Estevinoez as Civil Governor of the city.

Gen. Contreras has been appointed to the chief command in Catalonia, and Gen. Lagunero Military-Governor of Barcelona. Gen. Novillas will replace Pavia as Commander-in-Chief of the army in the Northern Provinces.

The preliminary elections for the new Assembly will probably be held on the 3d of March, but the Assembly will not meet until the 20th of April.

PARIS, Feb. 25.—Advices from Spain received by leading bankers here represent the prospect as gloomy, and say families are leaving the capital and principal cities.

Special dispatches to *La Liberte* from St. Jean de Luse, dated to-day, says there is a panic in Bilboa. Pamplonia is daily expected to fall into the power of the Carlists, and the troops are hastening to reinforce the garrison.

CANADA.

Special Dispatch to The Chicago Tribune.

TORONTO, Ont., Feb. 25.—The oil refiners of London, Ont., have been summoned for poisoning the River Thames, and thus killing the fish.

OTTAWA, Feb. 25.—Sir Francis Hincks, Finance Minister in the Dominion Government, has resigned, and the resignation has been accepted. Mr. Tilley is to be sworn in at once as his successor.

The Hon. Dr. Tupper will succeed to the office of Minister of Customs.

Of the thirteen Ministers in the Cabinet, Ontario is only represented by two.

A deputation from Prince Edward's Island has arrived here upon the subject of confederation. Prince Edward's Island wishes the Dominion to assume a debt of $3,000,000, and not ask her to bear any share in the Dominion Public Works, while she undertakes to maintain her own.

Sir Hugh Allan, President of the Canada Pacific Railway Company, was last night given a dinner by the citizens of this place, prior to his departure for England in the interests of the Company. Judge Coursal presided. Speeches were made by the Chairman, Sir Francis Hincks, Sir Hugh Allan, and others.

QUEBEC, Feb. 25.—The disturbance here, yesterday, was not of a serious character, as reported. Nobody was killed, and only one man seriously hurt.

ROUMANIA.

BUCHAREST, Feb. 25.—The Chambers, under demand from the Government for immediate action, have passed a bill authorizing the establishment of political agents at Rome and Washington.

INDIA.

CALCUTTA, Feb. 25.—Abdul Rahman, who attempted to go to St. Petersburg on a self-appointed mission, has been brought back to Tashkind. His allowance has been reduced, and his partisans have abandoned him.

THE MODOC WAR.

The Oregon Indians Tired of Hostilities—They Are Out of Clothes and Want Peace.

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 25.—A pecial dispatch was received by the *Bulletin* this evening from Fairchild's camp, the headquarters of the Modoc Peace Commissioners. Robert Whittle and his Indian wife returned from Capt. Jack's camp on Monday night, from a second visit, bringing Modoc Dave. Jack's band of forty-three met them one mile from the lava-bed, all heavily armed with needle-guns, some having 200 cartridges belting to them. They said they did not want to fight, but could now fire ten shots, where they fired one the day of the last battle. They told Whittle, we have not got mad. Your house is standing; so is Dorris', Van Bremen's, Fairchild's, and Small's, because we are not mad yet. Capt. Jack still holds the position of Chief, and says he is willing to talk with Steel, Fairchild, or Judge Roseborough. Indian Dave went back this morning with a message that Fairchild, Whittle, Matilda, and Ariena would go to-morrow to arrange for another meeting.

The Peace Commission have given strict orders that no members of the press should go, as they have determined there shall be no information given except through their hands.

When the two squaws returned from the first visit to the lava-beds, they were taken into a room to which none of the correspondents were admitted. After an hour's conference, the Commissioners stated to the correspondents that the Klamath squaw had made the following statement:

When she arrived in Camp Modoc all received her kindly, and said they were glad she had come. They were tired of waiting for a talk; were out of clothes and out of provisions; wanted no more war; were ready to wash their hands of blood. Capt. Jack and John Schonches, brother of the old Chief Schonches, and another, were the only speakers. Capt. Jack commenced by complaining that the Indians were blamed into by the military and citizens when they (the Indians) were asleep. They did not intend to trouble the citizens, but wanted to fight the soldiers. The citizens should not have troubled them. They went to the rocks for safety, and the soldiers came and hunted them down as if they were cayotes. They did not want to live like that. They wanted the blockade raised. They were tired of seeing the women come to them. Women did not understand when men lied. He was Chief still. Squire Steel made him a Chief. He did not want to talk to "Little Tyes" or the people who had been in the fight. He wanted to see them come in there. They should not be hurt. I am ready to talk with these men that come from a long way off. I would like to see and talk with Judge Rosborough.

John Schonches, brother of the old Chief Schonches, now on the Klamath reservation, and one of the surviving Modocs who took part in the Modoc war in the year 1852, then spoke, and said he was very tired waiting for somebody to come and talk, because he could not come out and talk. He remembered Ben Wright's treachery. These boys (pointing to other Indians) have all grown up since then. He wanted to wash everybody's hands of blood, and all the past buried. He was the oldest there; would control the boys and bring peace. He was glad men had come to talk with him from a long way off. Tyes and those who had fought with them he could not talk with. He wanted to see Mr. Case, because he came from a long way off. He wanted to see Mr. Meacham, because had come from a distance. A man of his name had talked to him long before, and made his heart strong. Since then very much blood had been spilled. He did not want any more. He had given up all his country but a little place on Lost River. The soldiers pitched into him there. He always tried to be friendly with the citizens. The boys got wild when the soldiers pitched in. He could not control the boys then, but could now. His heart had been wild, but was getting better now. He thought the wild will get out of the boys the same way. He liked the "talk" sent by the squaws from the President. All the people were his children. He didn't want them to fight. He felt like being a pesce-man among his own children, and break trouble as he would break a string in the middle. His men were coming to that. When trouble came among his children he tried to separate them to prevent bloodshed. He had a red skin, but a white heart. His heart was wild while fighting, but good news sent away the wild spirit. He was ready to see and talk at any time with the Commissioners. He did not want to talk any more with the women. They did not understand things sometimes. He would be glad when the next messenger came. He would meet him where the grass grows and water runs. He would then arrange to meet the men from afar off. They could come. Be not afraid. He could control his people, but was afraid the white men could not control theirs. His people would henceforth do as they agree to, but he feared the white men would not. He was not afraid to meet the Commissioners. They need not be afraid to meet him. They should not be hurt. Nobody will kill them. He went on the reservation, and was promised a place by the side of Link River Jack, but was removed to Williamson River by Capt. Knapp, the agent then. He was removed again and put between Klamath, where he had to live on roots in the ground. He could see no chance of getting a permanent home there, and felt that he might not starve to death. He did not want any time wasted negotiating. The clothes were worn out on their women. When they went to their ranches, on Lost River, for roots, they returned empty-handed.

He was scared to send the woman Matilda back with a messenger, but will come out and talk. Tell the white men not to be afraid. They shall not be hurt.

Another old Modoc veteran spoke words, the drift of which was in favor of peace, though he feared treachery on the part of the whites. He remembered Ben Wright's treachery, and feared a repetition of it.

The Modocs listened attentively to the speakers, and, grunted, the usual signs of significance of the acceptance of the ideas and their assent to the proposition advanced. There was no dissenting voices; no signs of opposition, if we except the signs of out-cropping of jealousy on the part of Capt. Jack lest he should not be acknowledged Chief of the tribe. It is the opinion of Matilda that Jack's power is waning. His influence is overshadowed by Schoncheo, whose party is strong enough to rule the bands.

The Indians sent no propositions, according to the courier's report, but I learned afterwards, from the other side a different story from the returned women, that Capt. Jack will insist on having his place on Lost River, as one one of the concessions the whites must make in the event of peace being concluded.

Judge Rosborough and E. D. Steele started for the front to-day, the former having been added to the Commission. The latter goes at the request of the Commissioners and Capt. Jack.

RUSSIA AND KHIVA.

The Czar's Relations with England—The Russian Forces in Central Asia.

The following is the dispatch addressed by Earl Granville to Lord A. Loftus, and read on Feb. 6, in the House of Lords:

"Having received information from your Excellency and from Count Brunnow, that Count Schouvaloff, a statesman enjoying the full confidence of the Emperor of Russia, had left St. Petersburg for London at the desire of his Imperial Majesty, I had the pleasure of receiving him Excellency on the 5th inst. He confirmed the fact that it was by the Emperor's desire that he had sought a personal interview with me. It had caused great surprise to his Imperial Majesty to learn from various sources that a certain amount of excitement and susceptibility had been caused in the public mind of this country on account of questions connected with Central Asia. The Emperor knew of no questions in Central Asia that could affect the good understanding between the two countries. It was true that no agreement has been come to as to some of the details of the arrangement concluded by Lord Clarendon and Prince Gortschakoff on the basis of Mr. Forsyth's recommendations as to the boundaries of Afghanistan; but the question ought not to be a cause to ruffle the good relations between the two countries. His Imperial Majesty had agreed to almost anything that we had asked. There remained only the points regarding the Provinces of Badakshan and Wakhan. There might be arguments used respectively by the Departments of each Government, but the Emperor was of opinion that such a question should not be a cause of difference between the two countries, and his Imperial Majesty was determined that it should not be so. He was the more inclined to carry out this determination in consequence of His Majesty's belief in the conciliatory policy of Her Majesty's Government. Count Schouvaloff added, on his own part, that he had every reason to believe, if it were desired by Her Majesty's Government, the agreement might be come to at a very early period. With regard to the expedition to Khiva, it was true that it was decided upon for next spring. To give an idea of its character, it was sufficient to say that it would consist of four and a half battalions. Its object was to punish acts of brigandage, to recover fifty Russian prisoners held by the Khan of Khiva, and such conduct on his part could not be continued with the impunity in which the moderation of Russia had led him to believe. Not only was it far from the intention of the Emperor to take possession of Khiva, but positive orders had been prepared to prevent it, and direct